

To: Heads of Environmental Health Service; Lead Food Officers

Enforcement Letter Ref: FSS/ENF/17/008

**FOR INFORMATION: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST FOR
INFORMATION ON CERTAIN ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS AT RESTAURANTS
AND CATERERS (FOI REF 2007)**

Dear Colleague,

I am writing to you in connection with a request for information received by the Food Standards Agency (FSA) which is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The request is for premises level information on restaurants and caterers in the UK in which a suspension/revocation of approval or licence, prohibition order, or emergency prohibition notice has been enforced in the last ten years.

I wanted to let you know about the request and to inform you that in our response we have explained that the enquirer will need to contact Local Authorities directly for the information requested about the individual establishments where these actions were taken.

The Local Authority Enforcement Monitoring System (LAEMS) Team from the Food Standards Agency has provided the enquirer with a list of the Local Authorities in the UK who reported these enforcement actions for restaurants and caterers on LAEMS each year from 2008/09 to 2015/16.

If you receive an FOI request for this information it will be for your Authority to consider appropriately.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact Esther Heller at laems@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk and please remember to quote the reference number FOI 2007.

Yours sincerely

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