

Executive

Authorisation of Staff – Safer Communities and Community Development

2 February 2009

Report of Head of Safer Communities and Community Development

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update the authorisation of a newly-qualified member of staff.

This report is public

Recommendations

The Executive is recommended to:

- (1) Authorise Rachel Anne Mason for the purposes of the following legislation:-

Building Act 1984
Caravan Sites Act 1968
Clean Air Act 1956, 1968 and 1993
Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005
Control of Pollution Act 1974
Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996
Environmental Protection Act 1990
Factories Act 1961
Litter Act 1983
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949
Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984
Refuse Disposal (Amenity) Act 1978
Sunday Trading Act 1994
Water Acts 1973 and 1989
Water Industry Act 1991

- (2) Invite the Council to authorise Rachel Anne Mason for the purposes of the following legislation:-

Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963
Breeding of Dogs Act 1973
Breeding and Sale of Dogs (Welfare) Act 1999

Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960
Dangerous Wild Animals act 1976
Food Hygiene (England) Regulations 2006
Food Safety Act 1990
Health Act 2007
Health and Safety at Work, etc Act 1974
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Acts 1976 and 1982
Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993
Official Feed and Food Controls (England) Regulations 2007
Pet Animals Act 1951
Public Health Acts 1936 and 1961
Riding Establishments Acts 1964 and 1970
Scrap Metal Dealers Act 1964
Zoo Licensing Act 1981

Executive Summary

Introduction

- 1.1 Officers performing regulatory duties must be authorised in writing by the Council to act on its behalf
- 1.2 The purpose of this report is to update the authorisation for Rachel Mason who has recently obtained the Advanced Certificate in Food Premises Inspection

Proposals

- 1.3 Update the authorisation for the newly-qualified officer to undertake her regulatory duties

Conclusion

- 1.5 This will ensure that the Council undertakes its regulatory duties in compliance with the law.

Implications

- Financial:** There are no financial implications arising from the report.
Comments checked by Karen Muir, Service Accountant, 01295 221545
- Legal:** This report covers all the legislation which may from time to time be enforced by the respective officer. It is critical that valid authorisations are in place to defend challenges.
Comments checked by Liz Howlett, Head of Legal and Democratic Services, 01295 221686
- Risk Management:** Without formal written authorisations, staff would not have the right to enter into premises or onto land for routine inspection and any evidence gathered as a result would be open to challenge. The Council could also be considered as acting negligently if it failed to authorise its officers appropriately.
Comments checked by Rosemary Watts, Risk Management & Insurance Officer, 01295 221566

Wards Affected

All

Corporate Plan Themes

Theme 1: Improve community safety and reduce the drugs problem

Theme 2: Improve health

Theme 6: Protect and enhance the local environment

Executive Portfolio

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Document Information

Background Papers	
None	
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