

# **Food Safety**

## **The Food Safety Team**

It is our aim to ensure that food sold and manufactured in the Newtownabbey Borough Council area is safe to eat. To achieve this, the Food Safety Team carryout a wide rang of duties to safeguard the public health of all people living in or visiting the Borough.

The Food Safety Team carryout regular inspections of Food Establishments within the Borough, including restaurants, cafes, pubs, hotels, supermarkets, shops, kitchens serving food to the public and food manufacturers.

### **What We Do**

- We inspect food establishments to ensure that food is being handled and produced hygienically
- We investigate **food complaints** ([linked to section on food complaints etc](#))
- We respond to **consumer complaints** and concerns regarding unhygienic food premises
- We investigate cases of food poisoning
- We provide **food hygiene training** for businesses and voluntary groups
- We provide advice and guidance to new and existing food businesses
- We respond to food alerts issued by the Food Standards Agency about potentially unsafe food
- We carryout programmed food sampling of businesses to ensure the food they produce is safe

### **Contacting the Newtownabbey Borough Council Food Team**

If you are thinking of [starting up a food business](#) or need advice contact the Food Safety Team to arrange a visit.

If you have concerns or a complaint about a food business please contact us and we will decide if a visit is necessary.

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## **Useful Links**

Food Standards Agency

<http://www.food.gov.uk/>

Eatsafe

<http://www.eatsafe.gov.uk/>