

Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial screening assessment

Subject of assessment:	To introduce a re-rating inspection within 3 months of an inspection of a food to re-assess their food hygiene standards and to charge a fee of £150 for this re-inspection.			
Coverage:	Overarching ,this applies to all wards in Middlesbrough			
This is a decision relating to:	<input type="checkbox"/> Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Function
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure	<input type="checkbox"/> Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Review
	<input type="checkbox"/> Organisational change	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state)		
It is a:	New approach:	X	Revision of an existing approach:	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is driven by:	Legislation:	X	Local or corporate requirements:	<input type="checkbox"/>

<p>Description:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key aims, objectives and activities The re-rating inspection would be additional to the statutory delivery of the food law enforcement service. Under the current procedure a food business has to wait between 3 and 6 months to receive a re-rating inspection, in accordance with the national “Brand Standard” Guidance. The proposed scheme would allow a businesses to request a re-rating within 3 months of their inspection. Currently 8 requests for re-inspection are received each year. There are staffing resource implications associated with carrying out additional re-ratings of food businesses. These visits are non-statutory and it is proposed introduction of the fee of £150 will recover the cost of the re-inspection. Statutory requirement. These visits are non-statutory but they do complement the statutory framework of the food law enforcement service • Differences from any previous approach. Currently food businesses have to wait for 3 months before they can receive a re-inspection and rerating of their award under the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS). Key stakeholders Businesses, Food Standards Agency • Intended outcomes. To support local food businesses which would be able to demonstrate a higher FHRS rating within 3 months of their inspection. 			
<p>Commencement</p>	<p>Immediately</p>			
<p>Date of next review:</p>	<p>Fees will be reviewed annually in line with inflation and a full review undertaken every 3 years</p>			
<p>Screening questions</p>	<p>Response</p>			<p>Evidence</p>
	<p>No</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Uncertain</p>	

Human Rights Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation?*	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The re-rating inspection fee will be applied equally
Equality Could the decision result in adverse differential impacts on groups or individuals with characteristics protected in UK equality law? Could the decision impact differently on other commonly disadvantaged groups?*	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The re-rating inspection application of this fee will not impact differently on the protected groups. It will be available for all food business operators to apply for and pay a fee.
Community cohesion Could the decision impact negatively on relationships between different groups, communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town?*	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	This will not impact negatively on communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town
Next steps: ➡ If the answer to all of the above screening questions is No then the process is completed. ➡ If the answer of any of the questions is Yes or Uncertain, then a Level 2 Full Impact Assessment must be completed.				

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* Consult the Impact Assessment further guidance appendix for details on the issues covered by each of these broad questions prior to completion.