

## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Food Businesses***

#### **Request:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please could you provide me with the following information:

- The number of businesses registered with the council as food businesses in 2015/16 respectively, broken down by type of food business registered
- A list of the trading names of all businesses registered in 2015/16 as the following types:
  - Restaurant/Café/snack bar
  - Moveable establishment
  - Takeaway

With reference to your above questions, we have considered your request under The Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

The Council participates in the Food Standards Agency (FSA) National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme, and as part of this scheme the Council is required to make certain information relating to the food premises within the borough boundaries available to the public via the Internet.

Therefore, following careful consideration, the information you requested is being withheld as it falls under the exception at Regulation 6 (1)(a) of the Regulations which relate to information already publically available and easily accessible in another form or format.

The exception applies as the information is published and publically available to view by accessing the following website:

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