

THE COURTYARD - FOOD POLICY STATEMENT

This policy applies to all food handling activities undertaken by The Courtyard and forms part of The Courtyard Health and Safety Policy

Consideration is given to the protected characteristics of all people groups identified in the Equality Act 2010. The protected characteristics are gender, age, race, disability, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion/belief, pregnancy and maternity, and marriage/civil partnership.

The Courtyard recognises the need for specific measures to ensure the health and safety of each of these groups. This policy and all other associated Health and Safety related policies take this into account.

The Food Standards Act 1999 established the Food Standards Agency, whose aim is to protect public health. The Courtyard seeks to comply with the information and guidance provided by this Agency.

The objectives of this policy are to ensure that:

- . The Courtyard premises are registered with the appropriate Local Authority
- . All food supplied by or delivered to The Courtyard is produced, stored, handled and transported in accordance with relevant legislative requirements.
- . All catering providers using The Courtyard premises are registered and approved by The Courtyard for their undertaking.
- . The Courtyard has appropriate and adequate management systems and controls in place, to ensure food safety standards are maintained.
- . All risks associated with the provision of food and beverages are reduced to a tolerable level.
- . All staff have the necessary competence to undertake their duties in accordance with the requirements of this policy.
- . All staff have received appropriate instruction and training and have read and signed to say they have read The Food Standards Agency guidance pack on how to set up a food safety management system - 'Safer Food, Better Business'.
- . All food products that have been classified as waste are appropriately segregated and disposed using The Courtyard's approved contractor.

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Signed: 

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