

CABINET – 20TH JANUARY 2016

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC AND AGRICULTURAL ANALYSTS

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR, SOCIAL SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek Cabinet approval for amendments to the appointment of public and agricultural analysts.

2. SUMMARY

2.1 Caerphilly County Borough Council has a statutory duty to enforce the Food Safety Act 1990, which requires the authority to appoint a Public Analyst to analyse food for foreign bodies and compositional and labelling purposes. There are similar provisions in the Agriculture Act 1970 relating to the need to appoint an Agricultural Analyst. This report seeks Cabinet approval for amendment to such appointments.

3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

3.1 Food law enforcement is a statutory duty of the authority and contributes towards the Healthier Caerphilly priority within the Caerphilly Local Service Board single integrated plan, Caerphilly Delivers.

4. THE REPORT

4.1 It is a requirement of the Food Safety Act 1990 Section 27 that every food authority in England and Wales appoints one or more persons to act as Public Analysts for the purposes of analysing samples procured under that Act. The Agriculture Act 1970 also requires an agricultural analyst to be appointed for the analysis of animal feeding stuffs and fertilisers. The Public Analyst Service tests products for sale in the market place on instructions from the client. The current appointments are:

Public Analysts

- Cardiff Scientific Services, Croft Street, Roath, Cardiff CF24 3DY Alastair Low
- Minton Treharne and Davies Limited, Unit 5 Llwyn yr Eos, Parc Menter, Cross Hands, Llanelli, SA14 6RA
 John Anthony Robinson
 Susanne Brookes

Public Analyst Scientific Services, Valiant Way Wolverhampton WV9 5GB

Alan Richards

Elizabeth Moran

Ronald Ennion

Kevin Wardle

Jeremy Wootten

Duncan Arthur

Duncan Armur

Stephen Guffogg

Peter Brown

Agriculture Analyst

John Anthony Robinson of Minton Treharne and Davies Limited.

Deputy Agricultural Analysts

Minton Treharne and Davies Limited

Susanne Brookes

Public Analyst Scientific Services, Valiant Way Wolverhampton WV9 5GB

Alan Richards

Elizabeth Moran

Ronald Ennion

Kevin Wardle

Jeremy Wootten

Duncan Arthur

Stephen Guffogg

Peter Brown

- 4.2 A number of amendments to the above list of approved analysts require approval due to personnel changes within the various analyst services and due to the closure of Cardiff Scientific Services laboratory.
- 4.3 It is also recommended that changes are made to the Agriculture Analyst and Deputy Agriculture Analyst as specified in paragraph 4.4 below.
- 4.4 In view of the above amendments the recommended approved analysts for Caerphilly County Borough Council are as follows: -

Public Analysts

 Minton Treharne and Davies Limited, Unit 5 Llwyn yr Eos, Parc Menter, Cross Hands, Llanelli, SA14 6RA, Merton House, Croescadam Close, Pentwyn Cardiff, CF23 8HF

John Anthony Robinson Susanne Brookes

Alastair David Low

Public Analyst Scientific Services, Valiant Way, Wolverhampton, WV9 5GB

Ronald Anthony Ennion

Kevin Wardle

Alan Thomas Richards

Watney Elizabeth Moran

Jeremy Paul Wootten

Duncan Kenelm Arthur

Nigel Kenneth Payne

Joanne Hubbard

Agricultural Analyst

Ronald Anthony Ennion of Public Analyst Scientific Services, Valiant Way, Wolverhampton, WV9 5GB

Deputy Agricultural Analysts

• Public Analyst Scientific Services, Valiant Way, Wolverhampton, WV9 5GB

Alan Thomas Richards Watney Elizabeth Moran Kevin Wardle Jeremy Paul Wootten Duncan Kenelm Arthur Nigel Kenneth Payne Joanne Hubbard

 Minton Treharne and Davies Limited, Unit 5 Llwyn yr Eos, Parc Menter, Cross Hands, Llanelli, SA14 6RA, Merton House, Croescadam Close, Pentwyn Cardiff CF23 8HF

John Anthony Robinson Susanne Brookes Alastair David Low

5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no potential equalities implications of this report and its recommendations on groups or individuals who fall under the categories identified in Section 6 of the Council's Strategic Equality Plan. There is no requirement for an Equalities Impact Assessment Questionnaire to be completed for this report.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 None.

7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 None.

8. CONSULTATION

8.1 This report has been sent to the Consultees listed below and all comments received are reflected in this report

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 That the Council amends the current list of authorised analysts and appoints the Public and Agricultural analysts listed in paragraph 4.4 of this report.

10. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

10.1 In order to comply with statutory requirements and to ensure proper and effective enforcement of the legislation. To ensure compliance with the statutory duty to enforce the Food Safety Act 1990 and Agriculture Act 1970.

11. STATUTORY POWER

11.1 Local Government Act 1972, Food Safety Act 1990 and Agriculture Act 1970. The discharge of duties under the above legislation is a Cabinet function.

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Consultees: Cllr N George, Cabinet Member for Community & Leisure Services

David Street, Director of Social Services Rob Hartshorn, Head of Public Protection

Gail Williams, Interim Head of Legal Services/Monitoring Officer

Sue Ead, Solicitor

Ceri Edwards, Environmental Health Manager

David A. Thomas, Senior Policy Officer (Equalities and Welsh Language)

Shaun Watkins, HR Manager Mike Eedy, Finance Manager

Background Papers:

Cabinet Report - Appointment of Public and Agricultural Analysts 5th February 2014