

**Public Protection (food & safety)**

**Food Premises Inspection Report**

Name of business:	Earlham Park Café
Address of food business:	The Gardens, Earlham Road NR4 7TQ
Date of inspection:	17/03/2026
Risk rating reference:	26/00266/FOOD
Premises reference:	05410/2001/2/000
Type of premises:	Restaurant or cafe
Areas inspected:	Main Kitchen
Records examined:	SFBB
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Restaurant/Café

**Relevant Legislation**

Food Safety Act 1990 (as amended)  
 Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 applied by The General Food Regulations 2004 (as amended)  
 Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 and No 853/2004 applied by Regulation 19 (1) of the Food Safety and Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013  
 Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and related regulations  
 Food Information Regulations 2014

**What you must do to comply with the law**

The report may include **Contraventions** - matters which do not comply with the law. You must address all of the contraventions identified; failure to do so could result in legal action being taken against you.

As a guide, contraventions relating to cleaning, temperature control and poor practice, should be dealt with straight away.

Contraventions relating to structural repairs, your food safety management system and staff training, should be completed within the next 2 months.

Health and safety contraventions should be dealt with within 3 months unless otherwise stated.

To assist you the report may also include **Observations** of current practice, useful **Information, Recommendations** of good practice and reminders of **Legal Requirements**.

My inspection was not intended to identify every contravention of the law and only covers those areas, practices and procedures examined at the time of the inspection. If the report fails to mention a particular matter this does not mean you have necessarily complied with the law.

## FOOD SAFETY

### How we calculate your Food Hygiene Rating:

The food safety section has been divided into the three areas which you are scored against for the hygiene rating: 1. food hygiene and safety procedures, 2. structural requirements and 3. confidence in management/control procedures. Each section begins with a summary of what was observed and the score you have been given. Details of how these scores combine to produce your overall food hygiene rating are shown in the table.

Compliance Area	You Score					
Food Hygiene and Safety	0	5	10	15	20	25
Structure and Cleaning	0	5	10	15	20	25
Confidence in management & control systems	0	5	10	15	20	30
<b>Your Total score</b>	0 - 15	20	<b>25 - 30</b>	35 - 40	45 - 50	> 50
<b>Your Worst score</b>	5	10	<b>10</b>	15	20	-
<b>Your Rating is</b>	5	4	<b>3</b>	2	1	0

Your Food Hygiene Rating is 3 - a generally satisfactory standard



### 1. Food Hygiene and Safety

Food hygiene standards are high. You demonstrated a very good standard of compliance with legal requirements. You have safe food handling practices and procedures and all the necessary control measures to prevent cross-contamination are in place. Some minor contraventions require your attention. **(5)**

#### Contamination risks

**Contravention** Food was not protected from general sources of contamination:

- scourers were badly worn and need replacing

**Legal requirement** At all stages of production, processing and distribution, food must be protected from any contamination likely to render it unfit for human consumption, injurious to health or contaminated in such a way that it would be unreasonable to expect it to be consumed in that state.

#### Handwashing

**Observation** I was pleased to see handwashing was well managed.

#### Personal Hygiene

**Observation** I was pleased to see that standards of personal hygiene were high.

## Temperature Control

**Recommendation** The core temperature of cooked and reheated foods should reach 75°C for 30 seconds or an equivalent time and temperature combination.

**Observation** I was pleased to see you were able to limit bacterial growth and/or survival by applying appropriate temperature controls at points critical to food safety and that you were monitoring temperatures.

## Poor Practices

**Contravention** The following matters represented poor practice and if allowed to continue may cause food to become contaminated or lead to its deterioration:

- 16 x packets of cheese and onion crisp were being stored beyond the 'Best before date of 7/2/26

**Guidance** It is an offence to sell food which is not of the nature, substance or quality demanded by the consumer. Food sold passed its 'best before' date could be of a reduced quality so you must check it is OK before you sell it. You must also inform your customers the product is passed its 'best before'.

## **2. Structure and Cleaning**

The structure facilities and standard of cleaning and maintenance are of a generally satisfactory standard but there are some repairs and/or improvements which are required in order for you to comply with the law. Pest control and waste disposal provisions are adequate. The contraventions require your attention; although not critical to food safety they may become so if not addressed. **(10)**

### Cleaning of Structure

**Contravention** The following items were dirty and require more frequent and thorough cleaning:

- top to wall tiles behind chest freezer
- bottom to walls behind cooker
- flooring badly marked
- ledge to wall behind chest freezer
- area next to dishwasher

### Cleaning of Equipment and Food Contact Surfaces

**Contravention** The following items are dirty and must be cleaned:

- lid to bin
- interior to microwaves
- seals to fridges
- seals to freezers
- around interior top to chest freezer
- around interior top to ice cream freezer

- chest freezers need defrosting
- handle to upright freezer
- interior to fridge door
- container to dishwasher liquid

### Cleaning Chemicals / Materials / Equipment and Methods

**Observation** I was pleased to see that the premises was kept clean and that your cleaning materials, methods and equipment were able to minimise the spread of harmful bacteria between surfaces.

### Maintenance

**Contravention** The following had not been suitably maintained and must be repaired or replaced:

- split food storage container
- area to washing up sink
- split seals to upright freezer

### Pest Control

**Observation** I was pleased to see that the premises was proofed against the entry of pests and that pest control procedures were in place.

## **3. Confidence in Management**

There are generally satisfactory food safety controls in place although there is evidence of some non-compliance with the law. The contraventions require your attention; although not critical to food safety they may become so if not addressed. **(10)**

### Food Hazard Identification and Control

**Contravention** The following Safer Food Better Business SAFE METHODS are incomplete:

- Cross-contamination
- Cooking
- Cleaning
- Chilling

### Safer Food Better Business that works

**Contravention** The Management sections in your Safer food Better Business (SFBB) pack are intended to demonstrate you are in day-to-day control of the hazards to food. The following Management sections were either missing, incomplete or not up-to-date:

- daily diary entries not up to date
- opening checks not done on day of inspection
- training lists
- suppliers list

- cleaning schedule add all equipment and methods of cleaning to your cleaning schedule

### Proving Your Arrangements are Working Well

**Contravention** You are not working to the following safe methods in your SFBB pack:

- cleaning schedule as more attention is needed to cleaning

### Traceability

**Observation** Your records were such that food could easily be traced back to its supplier.

### Infection Control / Sickness / Exclusion Policy

**Observation** Policies were in place to prevent any infected food handler from contaminating food.

### Waste Food and other Refuse

**Observation** You had measures in place to dispose of waste food appropriately and were employing the services of an approved waste contractor.

### Training

**Contravention** The following evidence indicated there was a staff training need:

- standards of cleaning was poor

**Observation** I was pleased to see that food handlers had been trained to an appropriate level and evidence of their training was made available.

### Allergens

**Observation** You had identified the presence of allergens in your non-prepacked food and had brought this to the attention of your customers.