



**Public Protection (food & safety)**

**Food Premises Inspection Report**

Name of business:	St John's News
Address of food business:	4 St Johns Close Norwich NR1 2AD
Date of inspection:	19/07/2023
Risk rating reference:	23/00563/FOOD
Premises reference:	20/00149/FD_HS
Type of premises:	Convenience Store
Areas inspected:	Storeroom, Other
Records examined:	None
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Retail shop

**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	25 - 30	35 - 40	45 - 50	> 50
<b>Your Worst score</b>	5	10	10	15	20	-
<b>Your Rating is</b>	5	4	3	2	1	0

Your Food Hygiene Rating is 3 - a generally satisfactory standard



### **1. Food Hygiene and Safety**

Food hygiene standards are generally satisfactory and maintained. There is evidence of some non-compliance with legal requirements. Some lapses are evident however generally you have satisfactory food handling practices and procedures and adequate control measures to prevent cross-contamination are in place. The contraventions require your attention; although not critical to food safety they may become so if not addressed.  
**(Score 10)**

#### **Hand-washing**

**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**

**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.

### Unfit food

**Contravention** The following food was unfit (and was seized or destroyed in my presence) because it was past its USE BY date:

- 1 x packet of Rustlers chicken burgers was being stored beyond the 'Use by' date of 18/7
- 2 x packets of Rustlers burgers were being stored beyond the 'Use by' date of 18/7

### 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:

- 13 x packets of cheese were being stored beyond the 'Best before' date of 15/7
- 6 x peperami chorizo were being stored beyond the 'Best before' date of 19/5

**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. **(Score 10)**

### Cleaning of Structure

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

- wash hand basin
- shelving throughout store

**Contravention** The following items could not be effectively cleaned and must be covered, made non-absorbent or replaced:

- exposed area(s) of bare and unfinished plaster on walls and/or ceilings. You informed me that you were refurbishing the shop

#### Cleaning of Equipment and Food Contact Surfaces

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

- around interior top to chest freezer
- build up of ice to chest freezer

#### 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:

- missing ceiling tiles

#### 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. **(Score 10)**

#### Type of Food Safety Management System Required

**Contravention** You are a low risk business and do not have a food safety management system or what you have in place is not suitable given the food risks associated with your business. You still require a minimum amount of documentation. This might include your hygiene rules, pest control reports, a staff illness and exclusion policy, a cleaning schedule, date coding, temperature checks of display chillers, and handover diary etc.:

**Contravention** Your documented Food Safety Management System or Safer Food Better Business pack was not available for inspection. As a consequence you could not demonstrate an effective system for managing food safety hazards.:

**Legal Requirement** Food business operators must put in place, implement and maintain a permanent procedure or procedures based on HACCP principles:

- Identify hazards to food.
- Identify the critical limits (what is acceptable and unacceptable).
- Monitor critical control points to ensure critical limits are met.
- Keep appropriate records to demonstrate control measures are effective.

**Legal Requirement** Ensure that your food safety management system is available on site so your staff can refer to your procedures and so that daily records of checks can be completed.

**Recommendation** I recommend that you purchase a 'Safer Food Better Business for Retailers pack or you can download one from the FSA website:  
[www.food.gov.uk/business-industry/retailers/sfbb](http://www.food.gov.uk/business-industry/retailers/sfbb)

#### Food Hazard Identification and Control

**Contravention** You have not identified these food hazards or the methods of control at critical points in your operation:

- bacteria growing on food

#### Traceability

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

#### Infection Control / Sickness / Exclusion Policy

**Guidance** UK Health Security Agency recommends that food handlers known or suspected to be suffering from a food-borne infection or gastrointestinal illness stay away from work until symptom-free for 48 hours.