

Enforcement Policy

Trading Standards, Environmental Health and Licensing

On 14th July 2005 the Council's Executive resolved that:

- 1) The Enforcement Policy for Public Protection Services adopted by the Council on 14th March 2002 be repealed;
- 2) The Enforcement Concordat form the basis for general enforcement work in Public Protection Services;
- 3) The Code for Crown Prosecutors be the policy basis for decisions to prosecute in all criminal matters;
- 4) The Council publicises via its website the decision to repeal the existing policy and replace it as follows:

In general terms it is felt that it would be preferable to replace the existing policy with a policy whereby the Council apply the Enforcement Concordat in general enforcement matters and additionally, apply the Code for Crown Prosecutors where appropriate in relation to criminal matters. This would allow the Council to demonstrate its commitment to openness and fairness whilst providing consistency not only between decisions taken by the Council, but also with other enforcement bodies such as the Police.

In the context of this decision Public Protection Services consists of those matters enforced by the Trading Standards, Environmental Health and Licensing Services

The following links refers you to the Code for Crown Prosecutors:

http://www.cps.gov.uk/publications/docs/code_2013_accessible_english.pdf

Enforcement Concordat:

<http://www.tradingstandards.gov.uk/stockton/documents/EnforcementConcordat.pdf>

