

At: Y Pwyllgor Iechyd a Gofal Cymdeithasol

Gan: Y Swyddfa Ddeddfwriaeth

Dyddiad: 2 Mawrth 2012

**Y BIL DRAFFT YNGHYLCH SGORIO HYLENDID BWYD (CYMRU): CYFLWYNIAD
BRIFFIO TECHNEGOL GAN SWYDDOGION Y LLYWODRAETH – GWYBODAETH
YCHWANEGOL**

Diben

1. Darparu gwybodaeth ychwanegol i'r Pwyllgor mewn perthynas â'r Bil drafft, y gofynnwyd amdani yn ystod y sesiwn briffio technegol gyda swyddogion y Llywodraeth.

Cefndir

2. Yn ystod y sesiwn briffio technegol ar 2 Chwefror 2012, gofynnodd y Pwyllgor am y wybodaeth ychwanegol a ganlyn —
 - ffigurau ynghylch nifer yr ymweliadau â thudalennau gwefan yr Asiantaeth Safonau Bwyd sy'n ymwneud â sgorio hylendid bwyd,
 - dadansoddiad o nifer yr ysbytai yng Nghymru sydd ym mhob categori sgorio hylendid bwyd,
 - nifer yr ysbytai yng Nghymru sy'n arddangos eu sgôr hylendid bwyd ar hyn o bryd, a
 - ffigurau cywir ynghylch nifer y busnesau bwyd yng Nghymru sydd wedi cael eu sgorio ers mis Hydref 2010, fesul awdurdod lleol, a dadansoddiad o nifer y busnesau sydd ym mhob categori sgorio.
3. Mae llythyr gan y Gweinidog Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol sy'n darparu'r wybodaeth ychwanegol wedi'i gynnwys fel Atodiad A i'r papur hwn.
4. Mae'r Gweinidog hefyd wedi darparu copi i'r Pwyllgor o lythyr at Brif Weithredwyr a Chadeiryddion pob Bwrdd Iechyd ac Ymddiriedolaeth y GIG yng Nghymru ynghylch arddangos eu sgôr hylendid bwyd. Mae'r llythyr hwn wedi'i gynnwys fel Atodiad B i'r papur hwn.

Camau i'w cymryd

5. Gwahoddir yr Aelodau i nodi'r ohebiaeth sydd wedi'i chynnwys yn Atodiadau A a B.

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Dear Mark,

Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill - Technical Briefing to the Health and Social Care Committee

During the Health and Social Care Committee meeting of 2 February, a technical briefing on the Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill was provided by my officials. I hope the Committee found the technical briefing useful. During the briefing, Members of the Committee requested some additional information not available at the time. The Committee requested:

1. figures for the number of 'hits' on the FSA's food hygiene ratings webpages;
2. a breakdown of the number of hospitals in Wales in each food hygiene rating category;
3. the number of hospitals in Wales currently displaying their food hygiene rating; and
4. an accurate figure of the number of food businesses in Wales that have been rated since October 2010, broken down to Local Authority level, and a breakdown of the number of businesses in each rating.

I am now in a position to provide the information requested by the Committee. With regard to point 1, figures for the number of 'hits' on the FSA's food hygiene ratings webpage, the FSA have provided the following information. In the four week period between 9 January and the 5 February 2012, the UK Food Hygiene Rating Scheme website received a total of 51,388 views. Whilst it is difficult to be precise, the FSA expect around 2000 of these 'hits' were by people in Wales. There was a peak in the number of views of the webpage in the week commencing 30 January 2012, particularly in Wales where almost three times as many people accessed the site than in any of the previous three weeks. This is thought, in part, to be attributed to the ITV Wales programme *Wales this Week* on the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme which was broadcast on Tuesday 31 January 2012.

Information on the number of hospitals in each food hygiene rating category (point 2) and the number of food businesses rated by each Local Authority (point 4), is provided in Annex 1 of this letter. The data for point 3, the number of hospitals in Wales currently displaying their food hygiene rating, is not readily available. However, I have written to all Health Boards and NHS Trust Chief Executives and Chairs in Wales to ensure all hospitals and healthcare facilities in their area display their food hygiene rating. A copy of my letter is attached for the Committee's information.

Kind Regards
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The number of hospitals in Wales in each food hygiene rating category
(Not all NHS hospitals in Wales may have received a rating)

Local Authority	Rating						Total number of hospitals
	Very Good 5	Good 4	Generally Satisfactory 3	Improvement Necessary 2	Major Improvement Necessary 1	Urgent Improvement Necessary 0	
Anglesey	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Blaenau Gwent	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bridgend	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Caerphilly	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Cardiff	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Carmarthenshire	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Ceredigion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Conwy	1	1	1	0	0	0	3
Denbighshire	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Flintshire	0	4	0	0	0	0	4
Gwynedd	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Merthyr Tydfil	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Monmouthshire	2	1	0	0	0	0	3
Neath & Port Talbot	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Newport	1	2	1	0	0	0	4
Pembrokeshire	3	1	0	0	0	0	4
Powys	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
Rhondda Cynon Taf	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
Swansea	2	2	0	0	0	0	4
Torfaen	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Vale of Glamorgan	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Wrexham	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Total	26	18	7	0	0	0	51
Total as percentage	50.98%	35.29%	13.73%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	

Breakdown of ratings given to food businesses in Wales by Local Authority

Local Authority	Rating						Total number of food businesses
	Very Good 5	Good 4	Generally Satisfactory 3	Improvement Necessary 2	Major Improvement Necessary 1	Urgent Improvement Necessary 0	
Anglesey	162	119	73	12	16	0	382
Blaenau Gwent	148	96	32	16	26	1	319
Bridgend	153	172	155	76	136	29	721
Caerphilly	201	236	205	50	84	1	777
Cardiff Council	582	524	335	167	280	21	1909
Carmarthenshire	266	226	152	45	89	6	784
Ceredigion	167	70	51	18	60	4	370
Conwy	260	221	161	32	64	2	740
Denbighshire	262	132	59	26	32	8	519
Flintshire	169	130	135	21	53	0	508
Gwynedd	508	327	176	46	88	3	1148
Merthyr Tydfil	63	86	82	26	57	2	316
Monmouthshire	114	142	166	44	68	1	535
Neath & Port Talbot	220	150	98	27	87	4	586
Newport	120	213	191	78	62	7	671
Pembrokeshire	447	309	125	67	148	4	1100
Powys	195	242	150	68	150	25	830
Rhondda Cynon Taf	251	284	379	133	159	25	1231
Swansea	374	329	185	37	242	9	1176
Torfaen	193	121	124	13	38	3	492
Vale of Glamorgan	160	175	98	36	91	8	568
Wrexham	225	109	91	13	40	1	479
Total	5240	4413	3223	1051	2070	164	16161
Total as percentage	32.42%	27.31%	19.94%	6.50%	12.81%	1.01%	

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To:
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Chairs of Health Boards
Chief Executives of NHS Trusts in Wales
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Cc:
Medical Directors, Health Boards
Directors of Nursing, Health Boards
Directors of Public Health, Health Boards
Directors of Public Protection, Local Authorities in Wales

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Dear Colleague

Display of Food Hygiene Ratings at hospitals and other NHS premises

In October 2010, the Food Standards Agency launched the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme in Wales. The scheme helps consumers choose where to eat out or shop for food by giving them information about the hygiene standards in restaurants, cafés, takeaways, hotels and supermarkets. As the scheme applies to any food business that provides food direct to consumers, ratings are also given to schools, hospitals and residential care homes.

The scheme is currently operated on a voluntary basis in Wales and run by Local Authorities in partnership with the Food Standards Agency. Local Authorities undertake inspections of food businesses to check they meet the requirements of food hygiene law. Based upon this inspection, the local authority calculates the rating and sends a sticker with the food hygiene rating to the food business. The food business is encouraged to display the sticker at the premises; all ratings are also published on the Food Standards Agency website.

Although the scheme is currently operated on a voluntary basis, I am consulting on legislation which would make it a mandatory requirement for all food businesses in Wales to display their food hygiene ratings. The consultation is available on the Welsh Government website at: <http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/healthsocialcare/food/?lang=en>
I would encourage you and your staff to respond to the consultation on the Bill which will close on 7 March.

I would be grateful if you could ensure all hospitals and other NHS Wales premises that have received a food hygiene rating from their Local Authority display it where it can easily be seen by consumers. Local Authority officers are available to support food providers if any improvements are necessary to raise food hygiene standards and can provide advice on suitable locations to display ratings.

Yours sincerely
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