

Primary Authority Business Partnership



Here for business

**Expert and tailored
advice on compliance,
with a single point
of contact.**



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“Having formalised our Partnership in October 2012 we have been extremely impressed by the quality of the service we are receiving and the professional strengths of the officers involved. Wakefield Council has proved to be supportive and decisive in their advice to us and in their dealings with other authorities. Their officers are highly professional, knowledgeable and proactive in driving the Partnership forward.”

Philip Taylor, Senior H&S Manager, Wm Morrison Supermarkets PLC



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What is Primary Authority?

Primary Authority Partnerships are either direct with individual businesses or co-ordinated with a Trade Association (or other similar group).

It is a means for businesses to receive expert and tailored advice on meeting Environmental Health, Trading Standards or Fire Safety regulations through a single point of contact. Once formal Primary Authority Advice has been issued other regulators must also follow this advice. This ensures businesses can invest with confidence in products, practices and procedures, knowing that the resources they devote to compliance are well spent.

The Environmental Health team at Wakefield Council have delivered Primary Authority nationally since its inception in 2008.

Our business partners have found the main benefits of their Primary Authority with us to be;

- Consistency in the interpretation of legislation across all elements of the business
- Targeting of resource to the areas of greatest business risk
- Recognising good practice and the commitment the business is making to compliance
- Protection against enforcement action from other regulators
- Insight into the regulatory world that our officers give to business managers. For example the national Health and Safety and Food Safety inspection priorities
- Assistance in the development of business managers to undertake self-audits and develop priority based action plans for compliance matters
- Being involved in emerging regulatory changes
- Close working with partner regulators including West Yorkshire Fire Service and Trading Standards as well as the Food Standards Agency and HSE.

“Our long standing relationship with Wakefield serves as testament to them being the partner of choice for Health & Safety within our industry. Not only do our members enjoy all the benefits of a co-ordinated partnership scheme they also have the assurance of Wakefield’s vast sectorial experience.”
Simon Brentnall, Head of Health & Safety, British Frozen Food Federation

Benefits

We can provide your business with reliable regulatory advice that’s tailored to your business circumstances.

By forming a partnership with Wakefield Council, you will get access to our team of highly experienced Officers, who have expertise in working with Trade Associations, large multinational retailers, including supermarkets and manufacturing, the logistics sector, hotels and leisure sectors.

We offer partnerships covering the full range of Environmental Health functions including Food Safety, Health & Safety, Animal Health and Environmental Protection.

Our team is leading the way in providing:

- Primary Authority Advice
- Inspection plan development
- Health & Safety HSG65 audits
- Business risk identification and monitoring
- Company policy and procedure review

Wakefield Council is here for your business.

We offer a range of services to support your business, including;


- First Aid, Food Safety and Health and Safety training
- Business start-up and consultancy advice
- Bespoke advice on how to Gain or Retain the best Food Hygiene Rating
- Pest Management
- Waste Collections
- Grounds Maintenance

Our services can be tailored to meet your business needs, with a focus on quality and reliability.

Visit www.wakefield.gov.uk/hereforbusiness for more information

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