# Reducing Tourist Food Borne Illness through communication:

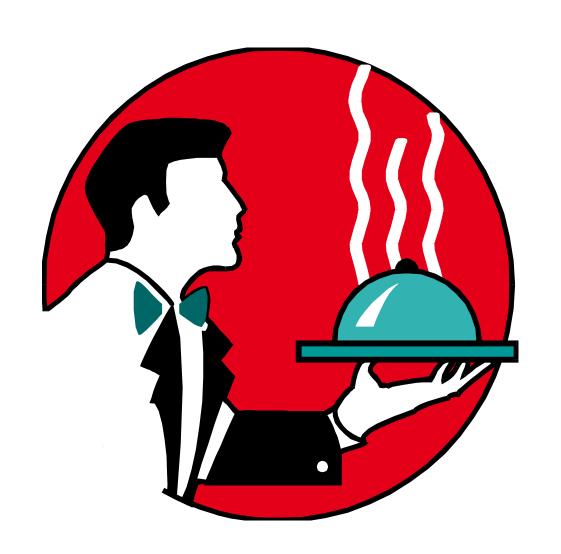
The UK National Food Hygiene rating system

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# What's on the menu?



## Food borne illness and tourism

- 1 in 3 adults report FBI per year
- 1 in 3 tourists reports FBI whilst on holiday.
- FBI affects tourist experience of destinations
- FBI has economic effects on destinations and on tourist economy
- FBI is both has long term as well as short term affects on health.
- The old and the young and the sick are most affected by FBI

## UK food businesses

- 600,000 food premises
- 60% are caterers, 3m employees
- Majority are independent microbusinesses
- Trade Associations represent very few businesses
- All are inspected at least once per year

## Safer food, better business for caterers

The pack consists of the regulated HACCP food safety management system:

- Safe methods
- A diary to record problems and action taken when things go wrong.



# What are safe methods?

 Fact sheets which highlight key safety points



#### Safe methods may include some or all of the following points:

SAFETY
POINT –
The control
measures to
make food
safely

#### Safety point

Food should be thoroughly defrosted before cooking (unless the manufacturer's instructions tell you to cook from frozen or you have a proven safe method).

#### Why?

If food is still frozen or partially frozen, it will take longer to cook.

The outside of the food could be cooked, but the centre might not be, which means it could contain harmful bacteria.



WHY? – Tells you why the safety point is important.

## The diary consists of:



- Opening and closing checks
- Staff training record
- Suppliers list
- Cleaning schedule
- Prove it: records
- Contacts list
- Diary pages
- 4 weekly review

# Would you eat in this restaurant?



# Would you eat in this café?



# Where would I eat here?



# Would I eat here?



# Would I eat here?



# Would I eat here?



# Would we eat here?



# Would we eat here?



# Clear reporting



# Visual symbol: the smiley



# The super smiley



#### Denmark

- The Danish food control system is based on the principle of HACCP programmes and control visits in restaurants, shops and food manufacturers
- Shops and restaurants are responsible for complying with food legislation and the evaluation results are published in shops and restaurants in the form of the so called smiley's.











#### **UK National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme**

Food Hygiene Rating	5	4	3	2	1	0
	Very Good	Good	Satisfactory	Improvement Necessary	Major Improvement Necessary	Urgent Improvement Necessary

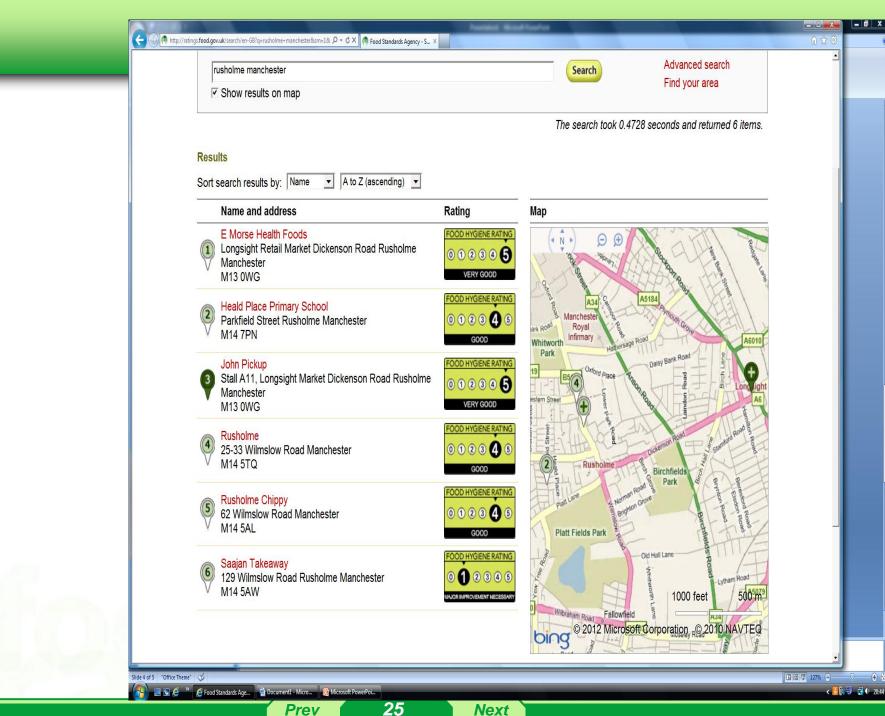


## **Assessment**

- Confidence in management / control procedures
   The production and documentation of a documented food safety management system (i.e. HACCP or Safer Food Better Business).
- Food hygiene and safety procedures how hygienically food is handled, the use of good food safety practices and temperature control.
- Food premises structure design, layout and construction

#### **UK National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme**

- Scores are recorded on website not mandatory on doors.
- Used by over 50% of LA's since Sept 2010 plan is full adoption by Olympics 2012
- Likely to become mandatory for failing businesses to place scores on doors in 2012/2013



## The scale



#### **Takeaways**





## **Supermarkets**



#### **Pubs**



#### **Retail Outlets**

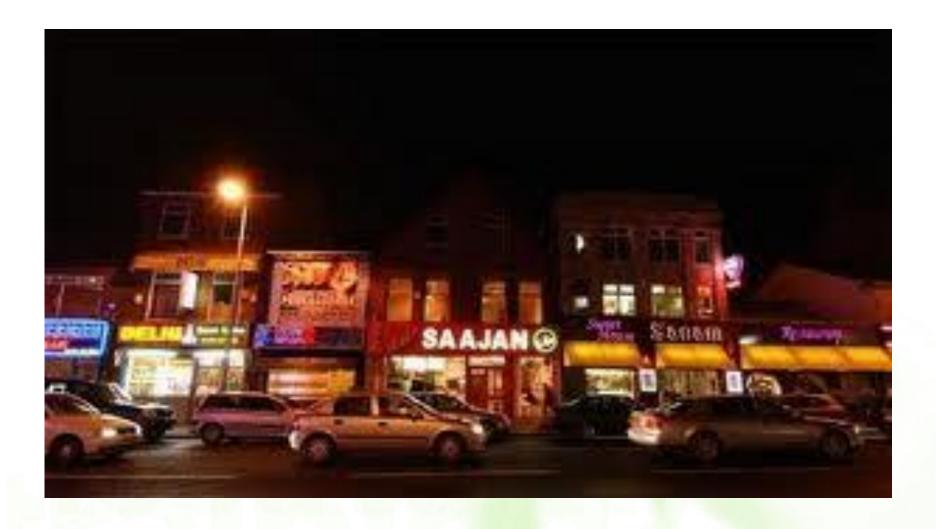


## **Coffee shops**





#### Rusholme: 98 restaurants on one street

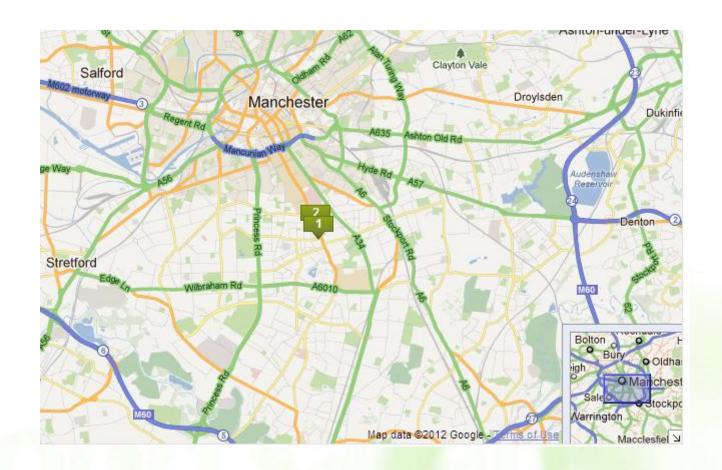


#### **Destination food centres**

'Rusholme's "curry mile" has the largest concentration of Asian restaurants in the UK and as such provides a destination for over 65,000 diners per week wanting to sample the award winning Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan and Bangladeshi cuisine on offer'

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#### The 'Curry Mile'

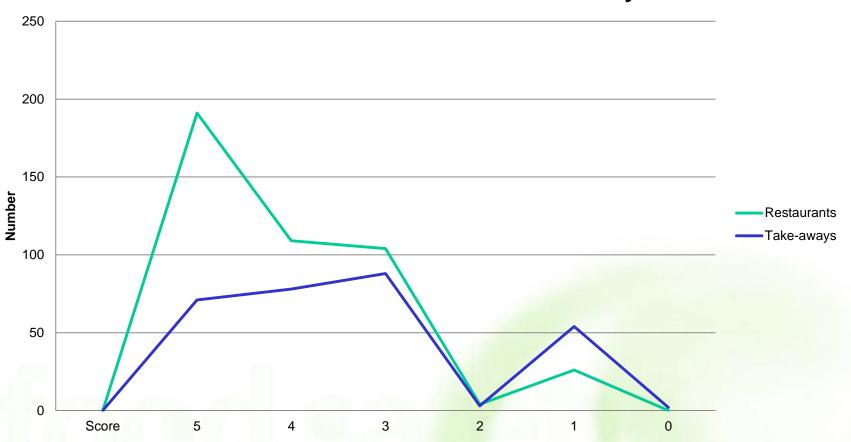


### **Total restaurant/take-aways in the City Centre**

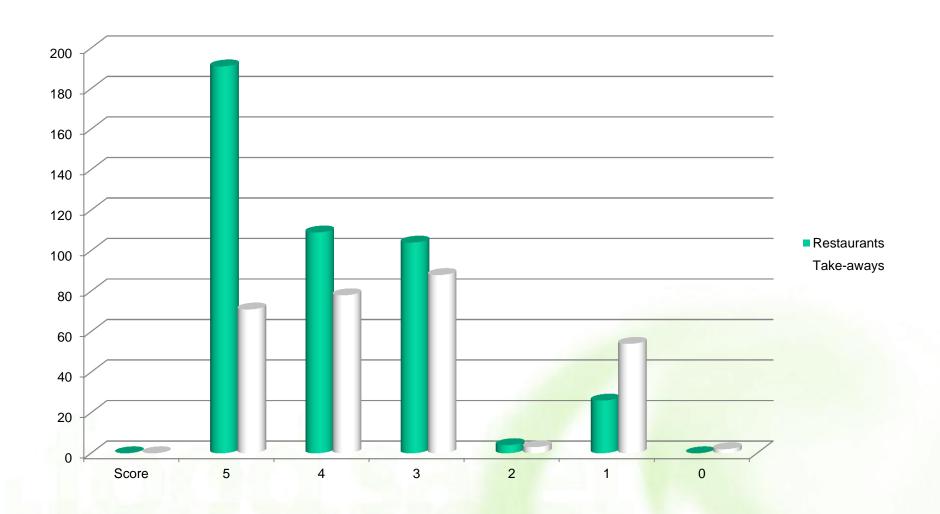
Manchest	er City Centr	e				
	Restaurants			Take-aways		
Score	Number	%	Score	Number	%	
5	191	44	5	71	24	
4	109	25	4	78	26	
3	104	24	3	88	30	
2	4	1	2	3	1	
1	26	6	1	54	18	
0	0	0	0	2	1	
Total	434	100		296	100	

#### **Comparison of hygiene ratings**

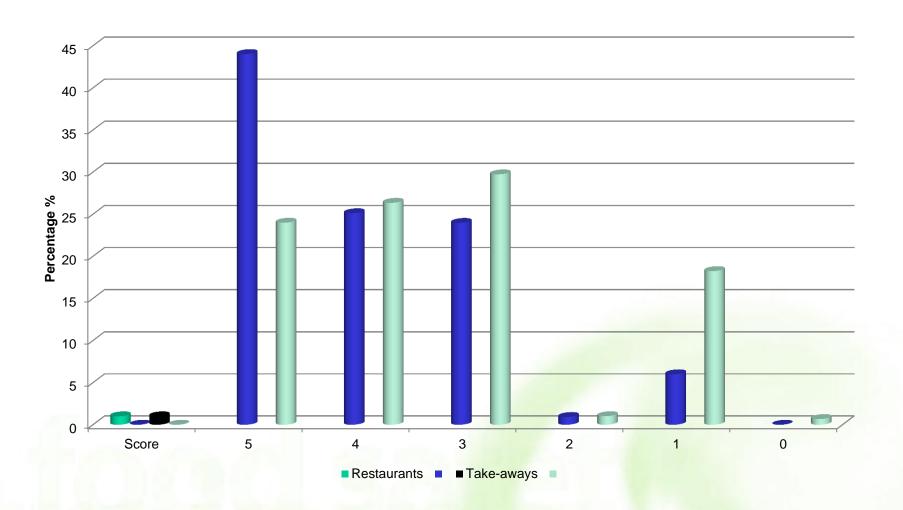
#### **Manchester Restaurants/Take-aways**



#### Numbers of outlets in each hygiene category



#### Percentage in each hygiene category



## Restaurants and Take-away display of score

Manchest	er City Centr	e					
	Restaurants				Take-aways		
Score	%	Display	%display	Score	%	Display	%display
5	44	19	43	5	24	8	33
4	25	8	33	4	26	6	23
3	24	0	0	3	30	4	13
2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0
1	6	0	0	1	18	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

## Conclusion

- Voluntary system does not work
- Mandatory system depends on tourists understanding the numbers
- Having differing EU systems is likely to create confusion
- Risk is reduced when information asymmetry is reduced.

# Your choice?



Major improvement necessary



Very good



