

NOTICE OF TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PRODUCTION AREA

Food Safety & Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013 S.I. 2013/2996

REGULATION (EU) 2019/627 of 15 March 2019 laying down uniform practical arrangements for the performance of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Regulation (EU) No 2074/2005 as regards official controls.

Pursuant to the power conferred on it by Article 18(6) and Article(8)(b) of Regulation 2017/625, and Article 62 of Regulation 2019/627, being satisfied that the results of sampling show that the microbiological health standards for **live bivalve molluscs** are exceeded and there may be a risk to human health.

As Competent Authority for the purposes of the above EC provision by virtue of regulation 4 of the Food Safety and Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013 S.I. 2013 No 2996 :-

Fenland District Council has temporarily closed **Nene Mouth (B04AL)** identified in the Schedule of this notice for the production of all live bivalve molluscs by food business operators until further notice.

Signed Dated this

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Dated. 24 FEBRUARY 2020

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SCHEDULE

The area in which the production of cockles & mussels by food business operators is prohibited by reason of this order:-

Nene Mouth (B04AL)
TF 5005 2801
Coordinates: 52°49.72'N 00°13.54'E

Food business operators must not collect the animals from this area by any method, it is unsuitable for their production for health reasons and has been temporarily closed. For a food business operator to collect animals from the area that is temporarily closed amounts to the commission of a criminal offence under Regulation 19 of the Food Safety and Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013 S.I. 2013/2996. On conviction a fine or imprisonment or both may be imposed.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE STRONGLY ADVISED NOT TO GATHER COCKLES AND MUSSELS FOR THEIR OWN CONSUMPTION FROM THE AFFECTED PRODUCTION AREA. THERE MAY BE A RISK TO HUMAN HEALTH IN DOING SO