



Children & Family Services

Headteacher, Business Manager

### Implications of Brexit on Catering Supply and Pricing

Brexit is once again at the forefront of our minds now that the UK has left the EU and the transition period comes to an end on 31 December 2020. With the current uncertainty around the outcome of negotiations, City Catering would like to inform you of steps currently being taken to mitigate associated risks enabling us to offer continuity of service.

We are in regular contact with our principal food distributors and manufacturers. The top priority is to maintain availability of supply, and we are pleased to report the confidence of our suppliers in achieving this on the vast majority of our product lines. Contingency plans are in place should there be disruption to the supply chain.

Work is being done with our supply chains to maintain price stability as far as possible. However, if tariffs or additional associated costs are imposed on food imports, suppliers have informed us they will have no choice but to pass on these costs.

In such circumstances, it is inevitable that there will be some cost implication. In preparation to mitigate against associated cost increases, we are looking at our menus and the products we buy. It may be necessary to make menu changes at short notice. Items will still be subject to checks by our Nutritionist.

Please be assured that we will do all that we can to deliver the same level of service to our customers. We will keep you informed should there be any changes to menus.

If you would like further clarification on any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

