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Date: 16 September 2025

Dear [REDACTED],

Further to our recent email correspondence in relation to the death of Stuart Gilchrist and the subsequent Regulation 28.

I am still waiting for contact from my link officer at the HSE, and will forward on the details if I am able to obtain an appropriate contact. I was unaware that [REDACTED] was the Chief Executive at the HSE, but I am sure that as this was sent to [REDACTED] it will find its way to the appropriate person within their organisation.

To confirm the Local Authority does not have powers to specify the equipment that is provided in first aid kits. We also do not publish guidance on what should be provided in a first aid kit.

The Health and Safety (First-Aid) Regulations 1981 require employers to provide adequate and appropriate equipment, facilities and personnel to ensure their employees receive immediate attention if they are injured or taken ill at work. The equipment provided should be determined by a medical needs assessment. The HSE publish guidance on the Regulations and the guidance includes information on what first aid equipment should be included in a first aid kit. For this reason, I recommend that the most appropriate organisation to serve the Regulation 28 onto was the HSE as they publish guidance freely available to all businesses in the UK. Our Local Authority would signpost businesses to this guidance and would not provide specific guidance ourselves.

Furthermore, the Regulations cover first aid for employees only. There are no legal requirements for businesses to provide first aid to members of the public such as customers although it is recommended as best practice.

Please can I check if this response is sufficient and you can retract the serving of the Regulation 28? Or do you require a response within the required timeframe by the Council's Chief Executive? Please note that [REDACTED] has left the Authority and the Acting Chief Executive is [REDACTED].

[REDACTED]
Executive Director of Communities and Environment

Please contact me on [REDACTED] if you would like to discuss this matter further and I would be happy to assist.

Yours sincerely

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Principal Officer (Health, Safety and Licensing)