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## Food (Scotland) Bill

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I am a pensioner and heartened to hear of this new body. This would be very much welcomed.

I did ask the question at a local referendum meeting as to who would be responsible for any fake food and labelling in Scotland if a Yes vote so it is very appropriate to read this additional information.

I am absolutely disgusted with the quality of food entering the food chains, especially sugar.

On watching Rip off Britain – Food I was astounded that out of the 900 items investigated a third were not as stated. Surely there is legality to cover this. Has anyone been held responsible for horsemeat scandal?

Please take note of the "Which" Independent trials on everything. This is what the Scottish Government should be gearing towards and having a person for consumer concerns.

Who is the body at the minute getting paid to oversee everything??! That's why I welcome very much this Food Standards Scotland.

Scottish Butcher meat is about the only source one can rely on for genuine food for quality.

I have also been hearing a lot about food waste.

I occasionally buy fish & chips. There are only a few places I can get pensioners portions like Toggies in Dunbar. When I ask for junior portions – cannot get that either without having to pay for can of coca cola included. Marketing is all wrong for people like myself on fixed basic income. I begrudge getting normal fish and chips knowing full well my appetite is much reduced and wouldn't be able to finish the portion. This makes for wastage and I hear other pensioners making the same remark. It should be compulsory for all eating places to have pensioners portions available. Just means a small fish and small portion of chips, but the will is not in the marketing.

Also this last year the big supermarkets have upped their game and reduced to almost nil small jars i.e. Sweet & Sour and about every other thing, majority of food is now big size packs – when my family of six were all at home – brilliant – but my needs have changed now and the choice isn't there. Shocking.

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