



Office of the Traffic Commissioner

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Traffic Commissioner suspends Rutherglen food and drink supplier's transport operations in April

- Firm fell into “unacceptable way” of putting business priorities ahead of vehicle safety regime
- Seriously defective vehicle reported by government inspectors

A Rutherglen food and drink supplier has been suspended from running vehicles this month by Scotland’s Traffic Commissioner.

Joan Aitken said it was “shocking” that GSR Distributions Ltd, trading as Spiceway, had operated a defective vehicle on the road in July 2017 and which had last been given a routine safety inspection in March of that year.

The company’s vehicles were supposed to be checked every six weeks.

In a written decision issued after a public inquiry in Edinburgh last month, Miss Aitken added:

“The 6 weekly safety inspection cycle for the operator’s vehicles had fallen into a haphazard state.

“The operator ... did fall into the unacceptable way of putting business priorities ahead a tight regime for ensuring vehicles were roadworthy.”

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