

Report of the Director

Street Trading Fees

1 Purpose of report

This report has been prepared to provide clarity to members regarding the street trading fees in Wellingborough town centre.

2 Executive summary

This report identifies the fees that were approved at this committee on 1 February and provides clarity on how these fees are interpreted and the street traders are charged.

3 Appendices

Appendix 1: Street trading fees approved 1 February 2017.

Appendix 2: Street trading fees clarification June 2017.

4 Proposed Action:

- 4.1 The Resources Committee is invited to NOTE the clarification provided on Street Trading fees in Appendix 2 and to implement this retrospectively from 1 April 2017.**

5 Background

- 5.1 This committee approved the street trading fees identified in Appendix 1 on 1 February 2017.
- 5.2 Wellingborough Norse informed the street traders of these fees and also how an annual fee would be calculated.
- 5.3 A number of complaints were received regarding the significant increase threatening their business and the short notice that was provided.

6 Discussion

- 6.1 Following these complaints, the Market Working Party (MWP) re-considered the fees identified in Appendix 1 at its meeting on 5 June 2017. The MWP agreed that the fees were correct however it was the way they are implemented that was not clear.
- 6.2 The MWP therefore proposed that the table shown in Appendix 1 is amended as shown in Appendix 2 to provide clarity regarding the implementation of these fees, particularly in relation to the annual, quarterly, monthly and weekly fees.

6.3 There is no change to the fees.

7 Legal powers

Local Government Acts 1992 & 2003
Local Government Finance Act 2012

8 Financial and value for money implications

- 8.1 This clarification will mean that the income from street trading fees will be 50% less than the amounts invoiced. However this will be in line with the assumptions made in the 2017/18 budget.
- 8.2 In addition to this a number of street traders have left and the remaining street trader's complaints have been regarding the inability for these businesses to continue to trade with this increase.

9 Risk analysis

Nature of risk	Consequences if realised	Likelihood of occurrence	Control measures
Clarification of the street trading fees is not provided.	Street traders could cease to trade.	High	Review of implementation of fees.

10 Implications for resources

There will be a small resource implication for Wellingborough Norse and finance to issue credit notes and inform traders of this clarification.

11 Implications for stronger and safer communities

There are no implications.

12 Implications for equalities

There are no implications.

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14 Consultees

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15 Background papers

MWP notes 5 June 2017

Appendix 1 - Street Trading Fees for 2017-2018

Current Fees from 1st April 2016 - 2017

Proposed Fees from 1st April 2017 - 2018

	<u>Single Pitch Monday - Thursday</u>					<u>Single Pitch Monday - Thursday</u>				
	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
Food & Drink	2,500	1,500	400	150	35	5,460	2,185	875	250	50
Other	1,700	1100	400	150	35	4,375	1,750	700	200	40

	<u>Single Pitch Friday - Sunday</u>					<u>Single Pitch Friday - Sunday</u>				
	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
Food & Drink	2,500	1,500	400	150	35	5,460	2,185	875	250	70
Other	1,700	1100	400	150	35	4,375	1,750	700	200	55

	<u>Double Pitch Monday - Thursday</u>					<u>Double Pitch Monday - Thursday</u>				
	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
Food & Drink	3,000	1,750	600	200	60	8,185	3,275	1,310	375	75
Other	2,000	1350	600	200	60	6,560	2,625	1,050	300	60

	<u>Double Pitch Friday - Sunday</u>					<u>Double Pitch Friday - Sunday</u>				
	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
Food & Drink	3,000	1,750	600	200	60	8,185	3,275	1,310	375	105
Other	2,000	1350	600	200	60	6,560	2,625	1,050	300	80

No charge for registered Charities

Single Pitch (4m x 4m)

Containing no'1 3m x 3m gazebo with an additional 0.5m surrounding cordon to be used only for hanging space. Kiosk, trailer, barrow or other trading premises less than 3 metres long, which is removed at the end of each trading day.

Double Pitch (8m x 4m)

Containing no'2 3m x 3m gazebo with an additional 0.5m surrounding cordon to be used for hanging space. Kiosk, trailer, barrow or other trading premises less than 6 metres long which is removed at the end of each trading day.

Appendix 2 - Clarification of fees from 1st April 2017 - 2018

	<u>Single Pitch</u>				Daily	<u>Daily</u>
	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Monday - Thursday	Friday - Sunday
Food & Drink	5,460	2,185	875	250	50	70
Other	4,375	1,750	700	200	40	55

	<u>Double Pitch</u>				Daily	Daily
	Annual	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Monday - Thursday	Friday - Sunday
Food & Drink	8,185	3,275	1,310	375	75	105
Other	6,560	2,625	1,050	300	60	80