


Community and Governance Committee Meeting	 Market Drayton Town Council
Agenda Item: 8.CG Shropshire Council Street Trading Policy Consultation	
Date: 14 July 2022	
Appendix: CG36	

Background

Shropshire Council held an informal consultation on the Street Trading Policy earlier this year, Town and Parish Councils were asked to review the current policy and submit any requests for amendments.

The policy was considered at the Community and Governance Committee meeting held on 7th April and the following was resolved:

To respond to Shropshire Councils informal consultation on the Street Trading Policy to request the following amendments:

- The updated policy should make it easier for community markets to be organised.
- The fee for trading 7 days or less should be reduced.
- The introduction of a new Town/Parish Council Market Trading License that allows ad-hoc council organised markets to be run without the need for all stallholders to have individual trading licenses; similar to markets run under Market Charters."

Street Trading Policy 2023 – 2028

Shropshire Council has updated the policy and they are currently consulting on the proposed Street Trading Policy 2023-2028.

The proposed policy includes the option of a Street Trading Special Event Licence for standalone events, at which there will be multiple traders, which is being organised by an individual, organisation, business or similar. Under this licence the stallholders would not require their own street trading licence. The cost of this licence is not known at the moment. Further information can be found on page 20, section 3b, Street Trading Special Event Licence of the consultation document. <https://shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/street-trading-policy-2023-2028/>

Also included on page 6, Section 1.9, Out of Scope Activities, a list of activities that have been deemed to be outside the scope of the policy is provided, this includes 'Community based and run events for non-commercial purposes, such as school or village fetes'.

Both of the above will make it easier for ad-hoc markets to be run without the need for all stallholders to have individual trading licenses.

Recommendation

To consider supporting the proposed Street Trading Policy 2023-28.