

Market Development Working group – Progress report

Events and Markets Committee -6th September 2022

- 1.** Market survey results were published as an A4 poster in Northstowe News August-September edition (1st August). A longer version including comments received was prepared and shared in the NTC website, social media and town boards 18th of August.
- 2.** Contact with traders: SCDC business development Team kindly doing prospective talks with business trading in South Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire to gather interest and produce a preliminary list. There seems to be fair interest from traders but more definitive information on start date and days and times of operation is necessary.
- 3.** Nabma membership: application submitted by town clerk. 20th September F&G to approve and membership official. Started conversations with specific support sought by NTC.
- 4.** Market Terms and Conditions: have been drafted and gone through one round of internal review. The group aims to discuss these with NABMA and bring to next Events& Markets Committee meeting for approval.
- 5.** Contact with residents: the working group recommends that residents that will be directly affected by the market are approached at early development stage to engage, gather views and concerns. It is also recommended that the communication exercise guided the decision on day/and times of market. See separate agenda item and motion.
- 6.** Staffing of market management: the working group does not have preferred option yet. After discussing with NABMA a

recommendation will be brought for approval to the next E&M meeting.

7. Permissions and legalities:

- a. Safety Advisory Group advised that it is likely that a weekly market would fall outside of the requirements of SAG, but will advise more formally as and when plans progress. Specifically around Health and Safety, any market owned or operated by a parish or district council is regulated by the HSE. More support and guidance will be offered as plans progress.
- b. License: SCDC to get back and confirm what is needed and how long it will take for market license.
- c. Landowners permission: both Greenbelt and L&Q have given positive reply though formal permission still pending legalities.
- d. Waste services: confirmed that best route is for traders to be responsible for their own waste.
- e. Parking – P&R: CCC not happy with market users coming by car being directed to their parking area. Cllr Thomson will follow up.
- f. Parking school: no reply received.
- g. Electricity and charges associated: ongoing discussions with Greenbelt and L&Q to confirm.