Northstowe Town Council – Pilot Market Business Plan November 2022

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1 Introduction

Northstowe is a <u>NHS Healthy New Town</u> in the making. Sustainable new development, where modern amenities are planned for future development to bring around a strong sense of community and have health and wellbeing at the centre of its planning and design. Situated five miles (8 km) northwest of the city of Cambridge, between the villages of Oakington and Longstanton, Northstowe has been planned to have up to 10,000 homes, with an anticipated population of more than 24,000. The development of the site has been divided into phases: phase 1, with 1,500 houses, reaching completion, phase 2 of 3,500 houses, and phase 3 of 5,000.

The first families moved into Northstowe in May 2017 and the community continues to develop and grow, with Northstowe now being the home to over 1,200 households being occupied and estimated 3,000 residents¹.

With a significant delay of local town centre for phase 1, there is currently no retail provision for Northstowe residents within the development, and residents make the journey to nearby villages of Longstanton, Willingham or Bar Hill to purchase daily essentials.

Whilst waiting for development of these essential facilities, Northstowe Town Council are commencing with 'meanwhile' enterprise activity during this transition phase in the form of a weekly local market which will provide daily essentials such as bread, dairy, fruit and vegetables, meat, and fish. Products will be sourced locally, with a strong emphasis on supporting local businesses and serving the whole community.

The Council has committed itself to start such market on a pilot basis and review the need for its continuation or even expansion after a period of 6 months.

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¹ Estimation based on 1,117 phase 1 occupations, 33 phase 2 house occupations, 99 Rampton Drift households, at an average 2.7 resident per dwelling = 3,372 residents.

Why a market?

Economic benefits

- Provide a platform for small local businesses to test trade in a low cost, low risk, supportive environment • Help volunteers gain work experience and new skills
- Keep money local

Environmental benefits

- Offer a localised space in which to shop on foot or by bike
- Increase opportunities for alternative food networks
- Decrease waste by shopping little and often, with the likelihood of less packaging

Educational benefits

- Engage young people with local food producers to supply more information about food origins and locations • Give young people an opportunity to learn new skills or be inspired by artisans and crafters
- Offer young people showcasing opportunities, whether this be for skills, school projects or as a space to perform

Health and social benefits

- Increase access to fresh, local, affordable food, often in quantities more suited to the individual
- Raise awareness of the benefits of a healthy diet and lifestyle
- Foster a sense of well-being and increased self-esteem

2 Company overview

Northstowe Town Council is a relatively new council and was formed in May 2021. It consists of 15 elected members and 1 town clerk. A deputy clerk is due to join the Council in 2023 on a part-time basis.

The Markets and Events Committee, via the Market Development Working group, will be responsible for the development and implementation of Northstowe Town pilot market.

3 Business description

Northstowe Town Council aims to establish and operate a regular retail outdoor Community Market within Northstowe, situated on where is commonly referred to as 'The Green'.

This will initially be a marketplace which will host between 9 and 12 market stalls, and provide at least 1 food truck or stall providing refreshments. It is the intention of the Town Council to ensure that the market offers a variety of essential goods that are sustainable, produce is sourced locally as possible to ensure the market is supporting

local business. It is also important for the market to offer affordable products for their residents.

Northstowe Town Council will be responsible for designating 'The Green' as a marketplace, will declare market powers under Food Act 1984, and will adopt a market's policy and will in turn have the powers of licensing the individual traders.

A pilot of the market will run for 6 months from April 2023. After this trail it is the hope that the market will then continue to run, and even expand, as be a key feature of the Northstowe Community.

Key objectives of the market	Characteristics of market
Provide the community with opportunity to buy good, quality, fresh food and daily goods, at reasonable and affordable prices at a walking or cycling distance	 Frequent and regular market Variety of traders selling daily basics Central accessible location
Bring the local community together	 Central location with possibly for seating space Refreshments and hot food being sold
Support local businesses in and around Northstowe	Traders to be local as much as possible

4 Market Analysis

A Market Survey was carried out in February- March 2022. The survey was well publicised in Northstowe and received 555 responses. 96% of the responses were in favour a regular market. Preference was shown for at least a weekly market on a weekend day providing daily basics, local and sustainable product. There was no strong preference on type of venue (indoors vs outdoors). Full results are published in the Northstowe Town Council website.²

Northstowe also operates a weekly 'Northstowe Foodies' which is an organised weekly event that brings together local Cambridgeshire small food truck and pop-up businesses on a regular basis to provide alternative food provision for the residents of Northstowe. This has been running successfully since early 2020 and is a well-supported by residents not only in Northstowe, but also in surrounding villages, including Longstanton, Willingham, Over and Swavesey.

Since December 2020, there is also a monthly event run by community group "Sustainable Northstowe" at the Green, which includes two pop-up stalls of eco-

² https://www.northstowetowncouncil.gov.uk/_VirDir/CoreContents/News/Display.aspx?id=51197

friendly businesses, and a stall with the Community Pantry (surplus food from local supermarket which is distributed to the community for free). The events are also well attended and supported by the local community.

Several other community events have been very successful and very well attended in the last couple of years despite COVID. These include, amongst others, Christmas and summer fayres at the local school, a running festival, and a community celebration day (Northstowe Day) to mark the 5th anniversary of first residents moving into Northstowe.

The Town Council aims to host a series of 3 monthly market events in the months prior to the pilot starts (January to March).

It is expected that the market will have a broad appeal and that residents of all ages and backgrounds will frequent the market. The market will serve not only Northstowe, but also Longstanton residents. It is possible that visitors from further afield villages visit the market.

4.1 SWOT analysis

St	rengths	We	aknesses
•	Good response to market survey, expected market to be well		Limited parking space. No current toilet or any other
	supported by community.		facilities in the area.
•	No retail or market competition in Northstowe.		No other retail or economic activity in the surrounding area.
•	Footfall during evening weekdays and weekends due to food trucks.		Residents shopping habits already established to superstores or online
•	Existing community events at the		shopping.
	Green monthly.		Outdoor space not protected from
•	Highly engaged community.		elements due to lack of surrounding buildings and vegetation still getting
•	Close by school which parking bays available in weekend days.		established.
		•	Limited Council human resources.
Op	pportunities	Ris	ks
•	Further expansion of Northstowe with more residents moving to the		Market is not supported by local community; not enough footfall.
	area constantly.		Cost of living increases, local
•	Community centre interim facilities to be built adjacent to the market		residents are unable to support the market and do not buy.

- square, which can provide toilet and parking facilities for traders and visitors.
- Future shops and community facilities to be built adjacent to the market square.
- Public transport network to be expanded throughout Northstowe, with bus stop to be placed at the market square.
- Inclement weather for outdoor events during first months of market lead to cancelling of market.
- Lack of interest from traders.
- Direct competition with neighbouring markets in Longstanton, Histon, St Ives.
- Residents' opposition.

5 Operational plan

The market will commence as a 6-month pilot and will run from April – September 2023. After this period, a review will be carried out by the Council to determine whether the market has been successful and whether it should become a permanent market and if there is potential to expand the number of traders at this point, or any further changes should be implemented.

It is envisaged to run a weekly, outdoor market consisting of 9-12 diverse stalls which include daily basics, but also miscellaneous and craft traders, and hot refreshments and food.

There are several options for the operational model for a market (see Appendix 2). It is recommended that the market is operated in a basis of **mixed model**, with a combination of an **employed role** (0.1 FTE) **and volunteers** for the tasks of **market administration**, an **employed/contracted out role** (0.25 FTE) and **volunteers** for the tasks of **market supervision**.

The 0.10 FTE for market administration role has been estimated based on Fenland District Council (FDC) allocation of personnel with market tasks, which combined make up 0.5 FTE for 3 weekly markets of 5-10 stalls with no gazebos provided. The workload for just one market of slightly bigger dimensions and which is not yet established is likely to be higher than a third of the allocation by FDC (which would be 0.16 FTE). Therefore, at least for the pilot phase, market administrative roles and tasks will rely on contribution from volunteers (Councillors and residents).

The 0.25 FTE for market supervision tasks has been considering that the market manager should be present during set-up, set-down and market hours – 9am to 4am - once a week and 2 weekly hours should be devoted to related administrative tasks, such as writing up reports and suggestions based on market monitoring (9h out of a 37h working week).

Details of the operational plan are provided in Table 1 below.

Table 1 - Operational plan Northstowe pilot market

Start date, end date, location						
Market to commence	15 th April 2023					
End of pilot phase of market	22 nd October 2023					
Market location	Northstowe Green					
	(see Appendix 2 – market layout plan)					
Frequency, days and times						
Market day	Weekly, [Sundays]					
Set Up	[9 am - 10:15 am]*					
Market Open to Public	[10:30 am - 3 pm] *					
Close of Market	[3:15 pm - 4 pm] *					
(*) Timings for set up, market hours and	close down of market will be monitored					
and may be adjusted as needed.						
Traders, pitch fees and conditions						
Traders	Traders should, ideally include the					
	following:					
	Fruit and Veg					
	Meat					
	Fish monger					
	Bread and cakes					
	Flower and plants					
	• Eggs					
	Dairy					
	Crafts/miscellaneous stalls (*)					
	 Food van(s)/Refreshments (*) 					
	(*) Food trucks/vans are to continue to be					
	operated/managed by Northstowe					
	Foodies. Pop-up stalls from eco-friendly					
	businesses managed the community					
	group Sustainable Northstowe and its					
	Community Pantry stall should continue					
	to be managed by the group.					
	Note: a stall may combine different products (e.g. eggs and cheese, honey).					
	The Town Council will work towards					
	having the right mix of traders so that all					
	daily products listed above are covered,					
	but priority will be to have occupancy of					
	market pitches.					
Pitch fee and conditions	The fee for trading at the market is					
	£15/trading day.					

	Regular traders will be asked to commit to trade for 3 months. Except where the market has been cancelled by the Market Management Team, all traders will be required to pay their pitch fee irrespective of whether they attend the Market. Traders can apply for casual positions in the market. Community groups wishing to set up stalls should benefit from reduced fees.
Market staffing	
Market Administration	 Employed role – (0.10 FTE)³ Start date March 2023 (month -1) Tasks: Scheduling and allocating traders location. Market promotion and social media Collation and check of completed stall holder Terms and Condition Agreements, food licenses (if required), risk assessment and insurance policies Taking traders payments Market enquiries and complaints Coordinate with volunteers and market supervisor.
Volunteer roles	Councillors and/or residents To assist with: • Scheduling and allocating traders. • Liaising with traders. • Market promotion and social media (e.g. logo competition, brand, posts, articles)
Market Supervision (Market Day)	Employed /contracted out role (0.25 FTE) ⁴ Start date April 2023

³ Estimated based on Fenland District Council allocation of personnel with market tasks, which combined make up 0.5 FTE for 3 weekly markets off 5-10 stalls with no gazebos provided.

⁴ Considers market manager to be present during set-up, set-down and market hours – 9am to 4am once a week and 2 weekly hours of administrative tasks to write up monitoring (9h out of a 37h working week).

	Tasks:
Volunteers roles (Market Day)	 Oversee market on the day. Point of contact for traders on the day. Ensure Health and Safety & Trading Standards compliance. Monitor risks such as inclement weather. Monitor footfall and flow of visitors and make suggestions for layout changes if needed Monitor traders engagement and collect feedback and make suggestions for changes as relevant. Monitor waste from traders and bins usage and report any recurrent issues. Monitor traffic and parking and report recurrent issues. Councillors and/or residents To assist with: Supervision and monitoring of the market Marshalling and directing to
	designated parking areas.
	Litter picking
Facilities (gazebos, electricity, toilets)	, parking and traffic
Traffic and parking	No road closures are foreseen but access of vehicles in the Green should be permitted only during load and unload time and not during trading hours. Appropriate parking area outside the Green will be designated for both traders and visitors. This should be at close distance, preferable adjacent to the square but not in the square itself. In the planned interim community facilities (employment land adjacent to the square), provision for parking will be made, but the number of parking bays is currently known.

	Additionally, visitors will be directed to				
	the roundabout at the end of Pathfinder				
	Way by primary school (23 parking				
	bays), and to the staff parking from				
	Pathfinder C of E Primary School staff				
	parking (48 parking bays, including 3				
	disabled).				
Toilets	Toilets will possibly made available from				
	interim community facility, adjacent to the				
	square.				
	The other closest public toilets available				
	will be Park & Ride – Longstanton, or				
	Sports Pavilion (when finished).				
Waste	Market traders are to be responsible for				
	taking and disposing of all their waste				
	appropriately.				
	Litter picking volunteers may be				
	organised.				
Electricity	Electricity is available for traders at				
	certain spots close to electricity points at				
	a fixed charge of £5 in addition to the				
	pitch fee.				
Gazebos/stalls	Gazebos and stalls are not provided by				
	the Town Council. Traders will be				
	responsible for set and set down of stalls				
	and any infrastructure.				
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6 Marketing plan

The market will be promoted in the three months before start date and on an on-going basis. Marketing activities will include advertising in a variety of channels, as well as a launch event held on the start date to create initial interest, where press will be invited and press releases and notice pieces.

Feedback from residents, shoppers and traders will be sought to maximise success of the pilot phase and any subsequent market. This consultation will be done via questionnaires and surgeries at least at three points in time (May, July and September).

A separate strategy for branding, promotion and social media is to be prepared laying out all details.

6.1 Channels for promotion and advertising

- Advertisement and/or press releases in local newsletters and media:
 - Northstowe News Magazine (bimonthly)
 - Longstanton Life (bimonthly)
 - Willingham News
 - Cambridge independent and Cambridge news
 - Cambridge 105
 - BBC Cambridgeshire
- Promotional material:
 - Banners
 - Posters
 - Leaflets
 - Road signs
 - Shopping Tote Bags with Market Logo and information on
- Town Council website and social media (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram).
- Promotion through District Council social media channels.
- In-person promotion at local events Community Forum, Community events.
- In-person promotion at monthly winter market events (January to March)
- Word of mouth

6.2 Key messages

- Available and variety of good quality fresh, products, as local as possible.
- Every week available in your doorstep.
- Build community support Northstowe.

7 Financial plan

7.1 Start-up costs and funds for pilot market

Costs

- Marketing/advertising costs foreseen to cover the printing of promotional material such as banners, posters, leaflets, road signs and shopping tote bags.
- National Association of British Market Authorities (NABMA): Annual membership runs March to March for both 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 years.

Table 2 - Start-up costs

Marketing/Advertising (1)	£400
NABMA membership (2)	£734
Insurance premium	£100
	£1,234

Funds

Besides internal funds from the town council, a grant from the Cambridge and Peterborough Combined Authority was secured thanks to South Cambridgeshire District Council.

The grant covers part of the costs of the pilot (including venue hire, NABMA membership, insurance, and promotion materials), but part of the grant funds were earmarked for items which will not be planned for the pilot phase. The initially proposed allocation of funds for the grant has been revised also in line with finding from research and feedback received. The split of the funds between pilot and post-pilot phase is shown in Table 3, and changes in the distribution of the grant are outlined in Appendix 3.

Table 3 - Funds available for market

Cambridge and Peterborough Combined Authority grant for Employment Zone	£8,000
- Of which, earmarked for pilot market	£1,870
 Of which, remaining for post-pilot market phase 	£6,310

The amount of internal funds required for the pilot phase of market will depend on the success in securing stall traders at the market (see next section). Start-up costs and funding received have been considered in the profit and loss model (section 7.2 below) to estimate the total cost for the council for the whole pilot phase of the market.

7.2 Profit and loss model and total net cost of pilot market

The following assumptions have been considered for the projections of profit and loss:

- A deputy clerk will be contracted from March 2023 (month -1) and dedicated 0.1 FTE to market admin tasks. The annual salary will be £34,554.5 (i.e. £288/month for 0.1 FTE) ⁵.
- A market manager to be contracted from April (month 1) on 0.25 FTE, with annual salary of £26,000 (i.e. £541.7/month for 0.25 FTE). ⁶
- Pension of 6% and national contributions as appropriate will be paid.
- Projections account for venue hire in case of inclement weather for 6 (1h set up, 4h trading and 1h close down), at £35/h rate⁸ £210. Considered once every 2 months. Venue hire costs will be covered by the CPCA grant.
- Food trucks are managed separately by Northstowe Foodies, thus there is no income comes from pitch fees. Monthly refill stalls managed by the community group and thus there is no income from pitch fees.
- Electricity charges assume 2 stalls (fishmonger and butcher) in main market need electricity, at a £5/trading day flat rate. The payment goes int full to a separate account to pay management company.
- Pitch fees will be £15. Three scenarios regarding occupancy that can be achieved have been looked at:
 - A) full occupancy at 12 stalls
 - o B) 9 stalls the first 3 months and 12 stalls the last 3 months
 - o C) 9 stalls for the whole 6 months period.

Summary table

IncomeExpensesNet costA£6,154-£7,819-£1,665B£5,749-£7,819-£2,070C£5,344-£7,819-£2,475

In summary, it is estimated that the pilot market could require a minimum of £1,665 and a maximum of £2,475 from the Town Council internal funds.

⁵ £32,909 pro rata/per annum + 5% inflationary increase (to compensate for a 2023-24 national pay agreement - TBC). This equals to £3,455.45 for 0.1 FTE, and £288/month.

⁶ Figure has been proposed base don Fenland District Council, which uses Band 4/5 for this role, between £23,953 and £30,095.

⁷ Based on results of automatic calculator: Employers NI Calculator 2022 for Multiple Employees

⁸ Based on rates at the Northstowe Secondary College. Pathfinder School would however be a more suitable location and at a cheaper rate.

Table 4 – Profit and loss balance – Scenario A - Full occupancy at 12 stalls

Northstowe pilot market										
				M1	M2	М3	M4	M5	M6	PILOT
REVENUE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	
Estimated pitch fees - 9 stalls (L&Q side)	£0	£0	£0	£540	£540	£540	£540	£540	£540	£3,240
Estimated pitch fees - 2 stalls (SCDC side)	£0	£0	£0	£135	£135	£135	£135	£135	£135	£810
Estimated electricity charges	£0	£0	£0	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£240
CPCA Grant	£470	£0	£770	£210	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£1,870
Income	£470	£0	£770	£925	£715	£925	£715	£925	£715	£6,160
EXPENSES	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	
Salary - Deputy Clerk (0.1 FTE)	£0	£0	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£2,016
Pension	£0	£0	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£121
National insurance Contribution (pro-rata)	£0	£0	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£133
Salary - Market manager (0.25 FTE)	£0	£0	£0	£542	£542	£542	£542	£542	£542	£3,250
Pension	£0	£0	£0	£33	£33	£33	£33	£33	£33	£195
National insurance Contribution	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
Marketing/Advertising	£0	£0	£400	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£400
Venue hire	£0	£0	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£630
Electricity payment	£0	£0	£0	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£240
NABMA membership	£370	£0	£370	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£740
Insurance premium	£100	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£100
Total Expenses	£470	£0	£1,094	£1,148	£938	£1,148	£938	£1,148	£938	£7,825
NET INCOME/COST PILOT MARKET	£0	£0	-£324	-£223	-£223	-£223	-£223	-£223	-£223	-£1,665

Table 5 – Profit and loss balance – Scenario B – Medium occupancy: 9 stalls the first 3 months and 12 stalls the last 3 months

Northstowe pilot market										
				M1	M2	М3	M4	M5	M6	PILOT
REVENUE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	
Estimated pitch fees - 9 stalls (L&Q side)	£0	£0	£0	£540	£540	£540	£540	£540	£540	£3,240
Estimated pitch fees - 3 stalls (SCDC side)	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£135	£135	£135	£405
Estimated electricity charges	£0	£0	£0	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£240
CPCA Grant	£470	£0	£770	£210	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£1,870
Income	£470	£0	£770	£790	£580	£790	£715	£925	£715	£5,755
EXPENSES	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	
Salary - Deputy Clerk (0.1 FTE)	£0	£0	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£2,016
Pension	£0	£0	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£121
National insurance Contribution (pro-rata)	£0	£0	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£133
Salary - Market manager (0.25 FTE)	£0	£0	£0	£542	£542	£542	£542	£542	£542	£3,250
Pension	£0	£0	£0	£33	£33	£33	£33	£33	£33	£195
National insurance Contribution	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
Marketing/Advertising	£0	£0	£400	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£400
Venue hire	£0	£0	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£630
Electricity payment	£0	£0	£0	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£240
NABMA membership	£370	£0	£370	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£740
Insurance premium	£100	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£100
Total Expenses	£470	£0	£1,094	£1,148	£938	£1,148	£938	£1,148	£938	£7,825
NET INCOME/COST PILOT MARKET	£0	£0	-£324	-£358	-£358	-£358	-£223	-£223	-£223	-£2,070

Table 6 – Profit and loss balance – Scenario C – Low occupancy: 9 stalls for the whole 6 months period.

Northstowe pilot market										
pilot in united				M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	PILOT
REVENUE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	
Estimated pitch fees - 9 stalls (L&Q side)	£0	£0	£0	£540	£540	£540	£540	£540	£540	£3,240
Estimated pitch fees - 3 stalls (SCDC side)	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
Estimated electricity charges	£0	£0	£0	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£240
CPCA Grant	£470	£0	£770	£210	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£1,870
Income	£470	£0	£770	£790	£580	£790	£580	£790	£580	£5,350
EXPENSES	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	
Salary - Deputy Clerk (0.1 FTE)	£0	£0	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£288	£2,016
Pension	£0	£0	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£17	£121
National insurance Contribution (pro-rata)	£0	£0	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£19	£133
Salary - Market manager (0.25 FTE)	£0	£0	£0	£542	£542	£542	£542	£542	£542	£3,250
Pension	£0	£0	£0	£33	£33	£33	£33	£33	£33	£195
National insurance Contribution	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
Marketing/Advertising	£0	£0	£400	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£400
Venue hire	£0	£0	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£210	£0	£630
Electricity payment	£0	£0	£0	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£40	£240
NABMA membership	£370	£0	£370	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£740
Insurance premium	£100	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£100
Total Expenses	£470	£0	£1,094	£1,148	£938	£1,148	£938	£1,148	£938	£7,825
NET INCOME/COST PILOT MARKET	£0	£0	-£324	-£358	-£358	-£358	-£358	-£358	-£358	-£2,475

8 Appendices

8.1 Appendix 1 - Market layout plan



8.2 Appendix 2 – Options for operating model

	Positives	Negatives
Private operator	 May facilitate timely delivery at no cost nor human resource to council. 	Small size of pilot market makes it not attractive to private operators due to limited income stream.
	 Know-how and experience on markets set up and operation and traders contacts. 	 Council cannot get prospect of income in longer-term should the market expand, as Town Council does not own land.
		 Local population often do not understand market is privately operate and Council likely to get all complaints.
		Limited involvement (i.e. decision- making power) of Council.
Contractor	 May facilitate timely delivery without requiring human resources from Council. Know-how and experience on 	 Not staff from Council, less possibility to transfer tasks or share workload. Limitations in using Council communication (e.g. email and social
	markets set up and operation and traders contacts.	media accounts).

	Less procedures and requirements, and more flexibility than an internal recruitment.			
	Council able set conditions and request vision for market to be implemented.			
	Council benefits from income generated by the market.			
In-house staff	Council has decision-making power over market.	Current limited staff and recent deputy appointment at the planned		
	Council benefits from income generated by the market.	start time of market.Lengthy recruitment procedures.		
	High accountability and responsibilities.			
Community/volunteer-led	No cost for council besides any costs compensations - e.g. travel,	Volunteers need to be managed and trained (H&S for events).		
	refreshment vouchers.	Less reliability		
	 Takes away workload from Council. 	Highly demanding tasks and time for volunteers (either residents or		
	 Promotes community empowerment and engagement. 	councillors), risk of lack of consistency and losing single point of		
	Council benefits from income	contact/reference.		
	generated by the market.	 Taking-up this role diverts from other duties as Councillors. 		

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	•	Need for training/experience.
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Recommendations from NABMA on operational model and market operation (provided to Northstowe Town Council on meeting and email)

- An in-house dedicated appointment is recommended in the long-term, however, existing staff can be engaged in the meantime until the market becomes able to pay for full-time staff.
- Person undertaking the role of market manager and set up should have good understanding the delivery of new market from set up to marketing and promotion. Recommended to find someone locally who is already running a market.
- Salary range or payment should be within what the market can generate, and not exceed this amount.
- Market should be supervised particularly on traders set up and set down times, but preferably during all market operating hours. A single point of contact should be established in case of emergency.

8.3 Appendix 3 – Revised CPCA Grant allocation

Item	Initial application	Pilot market	Post-pilot market	Revised allocation	Comments
Gazebos purchase	£4,875	£0	£4,605	£4,605	Reduced amount spent on gazebos. Gazebos will not be provided during the pilot phase of the market, they may be purchased for use at later stage (e.g. expansion of regular market, or holding seasonal e.g. Christmas market).
Storage	£0	£0	£0	£0	No change. Indicative costs indicated as 0 it is foreseen that community facilities and storage will be made available by the time gazebos are purchased.
Public Liability Insurance	£100	£100	£100	£200	-
Building contents/structure insurance	£0	£0	£0	£0	No change. If any market events or part of it were to be held indoors, insurance on building structure and contents would be required. The cost budgeted is £0 as the insurer has confirmed to the Town Clerk that

					building contents insurance would not be required, although in any event, a formal agreement with the building or land owner, laying down conditions of the hire/use of space is required.
Membership to Consultation Institute	£295	£0	£295	£295	No change. Recommended by SCDC for the Town Council to further engage with community on continuous feedback for the market, but also for other consultations the Council may wish to engage (for other matters). Membership fees for following year also budgeted for. Council could go down the route of outsourcing the design of consultation and paying a similar fee.
Membership to market operators/authorities association	£370	£740	£0	£740	The Town Council would be the market authority for the regular market. In order to run specific types of markets it may be necessary to join certain bodies (e.g. farmers markets, market authority association). Full price of membership of market authorities' body (NABMA) has been budgeted for both 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 year, as membership will end within the time of the pilot market phase.
Advertising/promotion costs	£200	£400	£200	£600	Costs associated with the promotion of the market within the town and surrounding area (e.g. branding, printing, promotional material such as banners, leaflets). After further preliminary research and

					discussions on ways to promote the market, it was determined that budget needed to be increased to account for more options (e.g. road signs, banners and tote bags) on both the pilot, less so for the post-pilot phase as it will be already established.
Toilet facilities purchase/hire	£1,760	£0	£0	£0	It is foreseen that community facilities will be available by the time the market starts and there will be no such need, also considering the envisaged footfall of the market.
Waste disposal facilities hire and cleaning arrangements	£300	£0	£300	£300	Based on research and discussions, it seems that waste disposal would not be required the pilot phase, and neither for the Council to Pay for it. The market manager will be in charge of monitoring any issues regarding litter. Budget has been kept for post-pilot phase should different arrangements be needed.
Training on market operation/management	£0	£0	£0	£0	-
Venue hire	£0	£630	£630	£1,260	New code. Should the market need to be cancelled due to poor weather (e.g. strong winds or rain), an alternative indoor venue would be sought. Costs for pilot assume once every 2 months an indoor market, hire of a hall for £35/h for 6 hours. Post pilot phase accounts for 6 months.
Total (*)	£7,900	£1,870	£6,130	£8,000	

Note that the initial proposal did not add up to the full £8,000 amount.