

PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISIONS



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Forward Plan Ref. No.	2017 269 January – Shepton Mallet Sunday Markets	Date of decision 10 January 2017
Name of Portfolio Holder	Nigel Taylor	
Name of Officer	Stuart Finney	
Details of Decision	<p>Following a successful pilot Sunday market in Shepton Mallet in November 2016 an extension of the pilot into a series of Sunday markets is to be held on the third Sunday of each month from March 2017. The success of the markets will be reviewed quarterly.</p> <p>These markets will be run by Mendip District Council Neighbourhood Services team in collaboration with local traders and will be supplied with MDC equipment erected by the Core Services Contractor.</p> <p>Markets will go ahead subject to each having a minimum of 28 gazebos booked in advance to ensure breakeven on costs. On occasions when this breakeven point cannot be achieved then the Council reserves the right to cancel the market.</p> <p>Road closures are being arranged with the County Council.</p>	
Details of consultation carried out:		
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	Chief Executive/ Deputy Chief Executive	Donna Nolan Date:10.1.17
	Legal	Lesley Dolan Date:10.1.17
	Finance	Paul Deal Date:10.1.17
	Group Manager	Stuart Finney Date:10.1.17
	Portfolio Holder	Nigel Taylor Date:10.1.17
	Ward Members	Simon Davies Bente Height Jeannette Marsh John Parham Date:10.1.17
Reasons for Decision	Supporting the local economy in Shepton Mallet. Developing Mendip Markets.	
Any alternative options considered and rejected	<p>Extension of the Friday market with participation from local traders is also being done and is making steady progress. There is a regular Friday road closure in place and the Council supports the market by providing free parking in local car parks on market day.</p> <p>Establishing a Saturday market has been considered but the</p>	

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	introduction of a road closure on the Saturday is more problematic to local businesses and the market would be in direct competition with Wells and Frome Saturday markets. This option was rejected.
Financial and personnel implications	Cost of road closure, stall erection and market officer supervision is £686 per Sunday market. 28 stalls at £25 pitch fee will just cover the costs. Additional stalls will provide a fund to contribute to longer term equipment maintenance/replacement costs. Pitch fees will be reviewed and may be increased subject to the success of the market.
Any relevant personal Interest under the Code of Conduct	
Reports and Background papers relevant to the decision	Market survey carried out in December 2015.
Date e-mailed to Members incl Scrutiny Board Chair	Wednesday, 18 January 2017
Date of Publication of Notice	Wednesday, 18 January 2017
Date Decision comes into force (*see below)	Thursday, 26 January 2017
* Please Note: The decision detailed above will come into force, and may be implemented, 5 clear working days after Publication unless subject to call-in by the Scrutiny Board.	
Signature of Portfolio Holder

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