

CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED AND SUGGESTED IMPLEMENTATION FOR THE POLICY

Bamford with Thornhill PC

“This was discussed at our Parish Council meeting yesterday. Councillors voted that the policy should give greater focus to:

- Street traders not being permitted to sell items containing plastic,

Suggested update for Policy

This could be a recommendation but currently is not a legal requirement if this is something the Authority wanted to impose the policy would need to go back out to public consultation (see point 14 Conditions – General)

- Provision by traders of sufficient litterbin capacity during their time on site.

Suggested update for Policy

This is already on the standard conditions - (See point 10 Conditions – General)

- Clearing-up of all loose litter in the vicinity arising from their activities, before leaving site.

Suggested update for Policy

This could be added onto the standard conditions – (See point 10 Conditions – General)

Cllr Jill Gascoigne
Derwent & Hope Woodlands Parish Council

I can't find anything about traders being responsible for litter created by them in the wider area, i.e. away from the main trading site. Also, nothing about using compostable or recyclable packaging, nor about the trader promoting responsibility for taking litter home to their customers. This would be a good opportunity (and costing HPBC virtually nothing) to begin addressing the current blight of rubbish in the High Peak.

Suggested update for Policy

This has been dealt with on the previous comment

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Lynn Bannister Questions

- Where can I find a list of the proposed fees?
- Where it says ticketed events - Ticketed Events. If the event is ticketed on private land, then no consent is required. However, if the event is on private land but accessible to the public, then a consent will be required, and the applicant must produce a written authorisation from the landowner to the Council with their application.
- If the event is on public land, ie a street, but it is ticketed with barriers at entrances what are the rules? I think this is how it is done in Mellor. Also would residents already living inside the designated area be classed as the public? Last one, is town council land classed as private or public?

Response to Lynn Bannister Queries.

- There is no proposal to change the fees for Street Trading commencing 01 April 2021.
- No consent would be required if the event is ticketed but members of the public must not be able to access without a ticket so the organiser would need to ensure all public points of access have barriers. It may be applicable for the organiser to ensure residents affected are issued with tickets.

- Not ticketed and accessible to the public - consent required and permission from land owner.
- If it is Town Council land then permission from the Town Council would need to be granted.

Suggested update to Policy

Not needed as just clarification.

Lynn Bannister additional info/response

Feedback from us is that the system seems a little inflexible. The 7 day cut off for any changes due to the nature of the events is problematic. Traders cancel at the last minute and substitutes have to be found. At the bigger events this isn't so much of a problem but when we've advertised a food option at the Duck Race for instance where we only have one sweet, one savoury and one drinks vendor it caused huge problems.

Suggested update to Policy

No Change – The Authority requires at least 7 days to enable the necessary checks to be carried out on the trader and to process the consent.

Paul Bohan

I have been involved in community events at which there has been trading for the last 8 years. An average of around 35 stalls are involved in trading, around 20% are charities. For the first five years, one licence covered the whole event and HPBC waived the fee. Then in 2018, we were told we would have to get a licence for each non-charity stall.

The event costs around £2000 to run and is partially grant funded by HPBC. Stall holders contribute 10% of takings - usually around £800. The rest of the money comes from the organising committee selling mulled wine. If there is any profit it pays for a pensioners' party.

When we were told we needed to get a licence for each stall, we thought we would have to cancel because stall holders (most of whom are hobby - craft people rather than businesses) wouldn't pay £25 and give 10% to cover costs. The only way to fund it would be to approach HPBC for more money to cover the licences fee. In the end we ran it as a ticketed event, charging 1p to avoid the fee.

In the new policy, I'd like to see some leniency to encourage community events, a flexibility for licencing officers to waive the fee entirely. This is especially important at the moment as we come out of lockdown we need to do all we can to encourage community events. Make it too difficult and nobody will give up their spare time to organise them.

Suggested update to the Policy

The current policy makes provisions for charitable events - members to discuss if further concessions are necessary.