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Lymington Charter Market Regulations

- **1.** By Charter, the Market shall be held on Saturday in every week throughout the year.
- 2. No person shall at any time trade in the Market without first obtaining permission from the Market Supervisor or the appointed representative of the Lymington & Pennington Town Council ("the Council").
- 3. The allocating of stall sites to market traders will at all times be under the direction and supervision of the Market Manager and the Market Supervisor. A stallholder shall be the principal trader. Stall sites are not re-assignable. Any infringement of this regulation will result in the forfeiture of the stallholder's permission to trade on the market.

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- a. Vacant stall sites for regular occupancy will normally be allocated to applicants of the longest standing on the waiting list of applicants kept at the Town Hall, Lymington, and who intend carrying on a trade either similar to that of the previous occupier of the stall site in question or a trade not in direct competition with adjacent stallholders.
- **b.** This rule may be varied to allow for an even balance of trade on the Market at the discretion of the Market Supervisor/Market Subcommittee.
- 5. Stall sites becoming vacant on a casual basis may be allocated to applicants present at the discretion of the Market Supervisor.
- **6.** All stall sites are allocated only for the day's trading and on the basis that the stallholder or one of three registered nominees none of whom shall be under the age of 16, shall be present at all reasonable times during trading hours on the market day.
- 7. Any stallholder who regularly occupies any site shall give a month's notice of leaving the market.
- **8.** On becoming a permanent stallholder all pitch payments are required to be made by Standing Order. This payment includes 8 weeks free (inclusive of the 1st Saturday after Christmas) to be used for holiday, illness or bad weather cancellations. A stallholder who cancels the Standing Order without first obtaining permission will forfeit the right to the allocated stall.
- **9.** A stallholder will be allowed up to only eight absences in a twelve month period, only three of which may be consecutive after which any absences will result in the stallholder either being required to reapply for their space and/or being removed from the list of regular traders. This will not apply in the case of proof of certified sickness or where exceptional circumstances have been agreed.
- **10.** The nature of the trade declared by an applicant for any stall site and carried on the stall must include goods for sale and shall not be changed without prior consent of the Market Supervisor and/or Market Subcommittee.
- 11. The Town Council supports "Plastic Free Lymington" and all traders (both casual and permanent) are encouraged to help minimise the sale and use of single-use plastic and plastic items e.g.lids, straws, bags, cups, bottles, cellophane, containers, cutlery etc. This includes where possible the use of biodegradable or compostable packaging. Traders should also seek to encourage customers to bring their own containers/bottles/bags for reuse.
- 12. The stallholder shall not trade or do anything that causes or is likely to cause a danger, nuisance or annoyance to the Council, other stallholders, local traders, residents, or visitors to the Market. In particular he/she shall not use any amplified or any other device that creates a noise which may or is likely to cause such a nuisance during any part of the day. In addition, noise levels prior to trading hours shall be kept to a minimum as far as is reasonably practicable.
- 13. A maximum of one charity stall per month will be permitted on any one market day at nil cost and subject to the market regulations. These charity stalls can be booked no less than four weeks in advance **and** are subject to availability. Proof of Charitable status will be required i.e. providing the Registered Charity Number. The Council reserves the right to terminate such bookings without notice.

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- a. A Casual stallholder must pay to the Market Supervisor upon demand the stall site rent payable at the rate applicable for the size of the stall site. This is currently £2.50 per foot (30cm) plus a £10 premium per each 10 foot during the period 1 May 30 September and £5 premium per each 10 foot for the period 1 October 30 April. A Casual stallholder who has attended on 6 consecutive Saturday's will be confirmed as permanent on a strict first come first served basis and if and when a suitable permanent site is or becomes available. Permanent stallholders are required to have payments made by a Standing Order bank mandate.
- **b.** Should a trader be ill they must advise the Market Supervisor as soon as possible and no later than 7.00am on Market Day, and also advise of annual leave in advance.
- c. Ensure that all vehicles used in connection with the unloading and loading of goods are parked in such a way, and for as short a period of time, as to avoid unnecessary hindrance to road users and the public in general and in particular shall ensure that such vehicles are removed from the street as early as possible in the morning and in any event, not later than 8.30am. In general, vehicles will be allowed to return to the street no earlier than 4.00pm to commence the close of business; all stall sites <u>must</u> be cleared and vacated before 6.00pm. All permanent traders receive a loading and unloading sticker for their vehicle.
- d. Ensure that the stall erected on the stall site allocated together with goods placed adjacent to the said stall does not interfere with the passage of vehicles. The Market Supervisor shall use his/her discretion to ensure that the roadway is passable. The lower edge of any canopy overhanging the pavement and any articles for sale displayed shall be a minimum of 2.15 metres (7.05ft) above the level of the pavement. The length of the stall site may vary according to the size of the stall site but the maximum in each case shall be determined by the Market Supervisor.
- **e.** Display a sign in a prominent position on any stall containing the name or registered trade name of the trade and business and location (i.e.town, village) in legible block letters not less than 5cms high. This condition does not remove a stallholder's obligation to display any other information required by law.
- f. Ensure that no trading shall take place into the carriageway; the trading shall only be on/towards the pavement.
- **g.** Confine any goods and associated containers safely within the area of the stall site and leave any adjacent access between or through stalls completely free of any obstruction.
- h. Ensure that all refuse and litter originating from the stall is placed securely in suitable containers and not allowed to disperse and at the end of the day's trading, place such containers at the kerbside in an orderly manner for collection by the Council's refuse collectors.
- *i.* Where applicable, comply with requirements of the Food Safety Act 1990, Food Hygiene Regulations and any other statutory provisions applicable to the sale of goods on the Market.
- j. Provide Public Liability Insurance (PLI) of £5 million minimum and Food Hygiene Ratings and confirmation of which Local Authority the stallholder is registered with if applicable to the stallholder's activities whilst present at the Market and provide a copy of both PLI and other relevant documents to the Market Supervisor.
- **k.** Ensure any stall is conducted in an orderly and safe manner and comply with all proper and reasonable instructions of the Market Supervisor and any instructions given by the Police.
- **15.** If the stallholder fails to observe the above conditions or perform the obligations herein contained, he shall forfeit the site allocated to him/her and shall, if appropriate, and if so, required by the Market Supervisor, vacate the stall site immediately.
- 16. In the event of a forecast of, or in deteriorating extreme weather conditions issued by The Met Office by midday Friday prior, the Town Council &/ or the Market Supervisor, may decide to cancel or curtail the market for public, trader or staff safety reasons. Every attempt will be made to contact all permanent stall holders as early as possible once the decision has been made by email and text. Cancellation of the market is viewed as a last resort. Should this happen, all traders will not be able to attend the market or will be asked to leave once the decision has been made.
- 17. The Council reserve the right to amend the above regulations at any time, and in particular does not bind itself to abide by the normal practices stipulated above and shall not be required to give reasons to applicants or stallholders when normal practices are varied. The foregoing rules shall be read and interpreted with each other.
- 18. General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

 The information you provide will be held in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and will not be shared with third party organisations or be used for any purpose that is not compatible with the purpose for which it was collected. Details of our General Data Protection Policy can be found at the Town



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