



Committee	Assets & Services
Month	October 2023
Report Title	Market T&Cs Consultation
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Attachments	

Agenda item: 9

Summary

At the September committee meeting it was resolved to launch a consultation with market traders to review the proposed changes to the market terms and conditions and to seek feedback on proposed price changes to the pitch fees.

The purpose of this report therefore is to present to committee the responses received from traders relating to both the proposed terms and conditions and proposed price increases.

Consultation

The consultation was open to traders from 28/09/2023 until 13/10/2023, each were invited to share their opinions on the proposed T&Cs and revised pricing structure.

Five traders responded with general comments around:

- Noting that there is an increase in all prices across the economy for everything, so an increase in pitch fees is expected and inevitable.
- Seeking clarity around whether the insurance changes affected them or not and advice as to why this has changed.

Feedback was also provided, extracts from different traders below:

Just let us know how much it is and I will alter the standing order thank you.

We greatly appreciate all of the staff that have helped us to do that each week over the years. We have always enjoyed a great working relationship with all of you and that's something we don't take for granted. If we have a problem, we believe it is always something that we speak to you directly about and usually resolve.

Food traders should pay a premium over general traders to stop market becoming a food only market.

Options

1. Terms and Conditions:

- (a) To approve the draft T & C (as attached) or to
- (b) disregard these and maintain the existing T & C.

2. Pitch Fees:

- (a) to retain current pitch fees, with no increase or
- (b) to implement proposed changes, as per the consultation with traders.
New prices effective from 1st January 2024.

Recommendation

Committee is recommended to progress with the following options:

Option 1: to proceed with Option 1 (a), adopting the revised terms and conditions of market trading, with effect from 1st January 2024 for all traders (see appendix A)

Option 2: to proceed with Option 2 (b), implementing new pitch fees from 1st January 2024 (See Appendix B)

