

Report to Environment and Licensing Committee

Subject: Application for Street Trading consent for Arnold Christmas Market

Date: 5th November 2024

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Purpose

To consider an application made by Natalee Onyeche of Skin Solace for a Street Trading Consent for an Arnold Christmas Market to trade in a consent street in Arnold on 22nd November 2024 (Appendix 1).

Recommendation(s)

That Members:

Approve the application made by Natalee Onyeche of Skin Solace for a Street Trading Consent for an Arnold Christmas Market to trade in a consent street in Arnold on 22nd November 2024 as shown attached to the report.

1 Background

1.1 Schedule 4 of The Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act (1982) gives District Councils the power to designate any street as either

- 'a prohibited street' (all street trading is prohibited);
- 'a licence street' (street trading is prohibited without a licence from the council); or
- 'a consent street' (street trading is prohibited without the consent of the council).

This designation then gives the council the power to control street trading on that street. The Council adopted Schedule 4 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 on 6th June 1983.

- 1.2 In 2012 the Environment and Licensing Committee approved that the Front Street area of Arnold and portions of the streets that branch off it, be re-designated from a 'prohibited street' to a 'consent street'. This was due to the activities in town centres changing allowing for more markets, fairs and other events to take place whilst balancing the control of such events by the Council by way of a policy to monitor the type of trading and events that take place.

This has allowed for the Arnold town centre to have craft fairs and a Christmas market over the last few years whilst protecting the interests of the Arnold Market traders.

- 1.3 At the meeting held on 1st December 2020 the Environment and Licensing Committee resolved to delegate the approval and refusal of all Street Trading Consent applications to Director level. The exception to this was if any application was made by the Council this would still need to be referred to the Committee for consideration.

The application referred to in this report has been made by the owner of a local business. Although the Council has not made the application directly the proposed Christmas Market is being arranged in conjunction with the Council's Arnold Christmas light switch on event and is being supported by the Council. As such in the interests of openness and transparency it is considered appropriate to refer the matter to Committee for Members consideration.

2 Proposal

- 2.1 To consider an application made by Gedling Borough Council for a Street Trading consent for the Arnold Market to trade in a consent street in Arnold (Appendix 1).

3 Alternative Options

3.1	To not allow the application which would result in the Christmas Market not taking place during the light switch on which would potentially have a detrimental affect on this community event.
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4 Financial Implications

- 4.1 None

5 Legal Implications

- 5.1 None

6 Equalities Implications

- 6.1 None

7 Carbon Reduction/Environmental Sustainability Implications

7.1 None

8 Appendices

8.1 Appendix 1 – Application made by Gedling Borough Council for Street Trading consent.

Appendix 2 – Site plans provided by the applicant.

Appendix 3 – General Street Trading Policy

Appendix 4 – Map of the Street Trading Consent area

9 Background Papers

9.1 None