

# **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY SERVICES**

## **REGULATORY COMMITTEE – 3 SEPTEMBER 2012**

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982**

#### **CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSAL TO VARY THE STREET TRADING CONSENTS IN RESPECT OF TRADERS OPERATING IN THE VICINITY OF STADIUM OF LIGHT**

##### **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To consider a proposal to vary the street trading consents of those traders authorised to operate in the vicinity of the Stadium of Light on the days when high risk football matches take place.

##### **2.0 DESCRIPTION OF DECISION**

- 2.1 The Committee is recommended to give consideration to a proposal to vary the consents to trade in a designated area under the terms of Schedule 4 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982. Specifically, the Committee is requested to agree that all street trading consents authorising trading in the vicinity of the Stadium of Light terminate as soon as the match is scheduled to commence where the match is designated as high risk by Northumbria Police.

##### **3.0 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 The Committee may recall that in the past they have received requests from Northumbria Police to vary the consents of the traders trading in the vicinity of the Stadium of Light on days when high risk football matches are taking place. The police have made these requests in order to facilitate crowd control.

##### **4.0 CURRENT POSITION**

- 4.1 It is expected that the Council will receive further similar requests in the future. In order, therefore, to streamline the process the Committee is requested to agree that the following condition is added to all street trading consents for traders trading in the vicinity of the Stadium of Light, either upon the granting of an application or upon renewal of an application:

“On days when football games designated as high risk by Northumbria Police are played at the Stadium of Light this consent will cease validity at the time at which the game is scheduled to commence and the consent holder must ensure that his/her trading equipment is removed from the area no later than forty five minutes before the time of the scheduled conclusion of the game”.

- 4.2 A letter has been sent to all those persons who currently hold consent to trade in the vicinity of the Stadium of Light advising them of this proposal and requesting any comments they may have upon the issue. No responses have been received.

## **5.0 REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

- 5.1 Paragraph 7 of Schedule 4 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 allows the Council at any time to vary the conditions of a street trading consent in order to prevent obstruction of the street or danger to persons using it.

## **6.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 6.1 None submitted.

## **7.0 RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS**

- 7.1 None.

## **8.0 GLOSSARY**

- 8.1 None.

## **9.0 LIST OF APPENDICIES**

- 9.1 None.

## **10.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 10.1 None.