# CORPORATE RESOURCES SUB-COMMITTEE - 28 March 2000

## APPLICATION FOR STREET TRADING CONSENT FEE WAIVER MAY FAYRE, MARKET SQUARE & WEST STREET, ROCHFORD MAY BANK HOLIDAY, SUNDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2000 (Min 210/99)

## 1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report requests Members to determine the fee due if Street Trading Consent is granted for a May Fayre at Market Square and West Street Rochford, on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2000, organised by Rochford Parish Council.
- 1.2 Street Trading Consent is required for selling or exposing or offering for sale any article (including a living thing) in a designated street.
- 1.3 The provisions in the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 to control street trading are adoptive. The Council has resolved to adopt these provisions and therefore the determination of applications for Street Trading Consent is a statutory function. The Council has discretion to charge such fees as they consider are reasonable for the grant or renewal of Street Trading Consent.

### 2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Members have resolved that applications from charities and community groups for a waiver of the fee for granting a Street Trading Consent be reported to this Sub-Committee for Consideration (Minute 437/98).
- 2.2 Members previously granted 100% fee waivers for identical events organised by Rochford Parish Council in 1998 and 1999 (Minutes 260/98(172(A) and 210/99).

## 3 STREET TRADING CONSENT APPLICATION

- 3.1 An application has been received from Rochford Parish Council for the grant of Street Trading Consent to trade in Market Square and West Street Rochford on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2000 between 11am and 4pm. Tables (6ft. by 2ft.) will be positioned either on the pavement or along the perimeter of Market Square and West Street up to the junction with Back Lane. They will be used for raffles, games and selling a variety of goods.
- 3.2 The application is for stalls run by charitable organisations and a candy floss stall, which will be operated as a business for profit. Any other commercial trader wishing to set up a stall will have to apply for their own Street Trading Consent.

3.3 Essex Police, Essex Highways Department, the Head of Planning Services and Rochford and District Chamber of Trade have been consulted, and their comments are awaited.

#### 4. FEE WAIVER APPLICATION

- 4.1 Rochford Parish Council has requested that consideration be given to waiving the fee required for this event.
- 4.2 The application describes the purpose of the event as follows:

"The event is held to celebrate the age-old tradition of an annual fayre in Rochford. The community groups, schools, etc. are invited to take part in entertainment, which enables them to inform the population of the many diverse activities which exist in the Parish. Also invitations are sent to charitable organisations to participate to enable them to raise funds and to encourage new membership. The holding of an annual fayre endeavours to foster and keep alive the community spirit within the Parish."

"The Council will work together with the local groups, organisations, police and emergency services, and other tiers of local government in the event. No profit is made by the Council from the event."

#### 5 PARISH IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The event is organised by the Parish Council for the benefit of the local community.

#### **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS** 6

6.1 Loss of £109 income if a 100% fee waiver is granted.

#### 7 RECOMMENDATION

It is proposed that the Sub-Committee **RECOMMENDS**:

The fee due if a Street Trading Consent is granted. (HHHCC)

**G P Woolhouse** 

Head of Housing, Health & Community Care

## **Background Papers:**

Letter and application for the grant of Street Trading Consent from Rochford Parish Council dated 15<sup>th</sup> February; Rochford Parish Council's stall hire form.

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