

Policy and Finance Committee

Date: 18 January 2021
Purpose of the Report: Market rents
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Corporate Objective/s	Vibrancy and Vitality of Town And Town Centre - To continue to support a vibrant town through partnership working and initiatives including management of the street market, support for local businesses, town and community promotions and town centre enhancements.	
Implications:		
Financial	Yes	
Human Resources		
Operational/Service delivery		
Procedural/Legal	Yes	
Risk/Health and Safety		

1. RECOMMENDATION

Should members be minded, the recommendation choice is:

1.1 To waive the payment of market pitch fees by permanent market traders for a further month with collection re-commencing on Tuesday 2nd March 2021, and for this to be reviewed at Committee’s meeting on 22 February 2021.

Or

To reintroduce the payment of market pitch fees by permanent market traders from Tuesday 2nd February 2021.

2. INFORMATION

2.1 At its meeting on 16/11/20, Ref.160/PF, Committee resolved to waive the payments of market pitch fees by permanent market traders till 31st January 2021, and that rents be again reviewed at its meeting on 18th January 2021.

2.2 At the time, the Parish was in its second lockdown operating a reduced market selling only permitted products. It was anticipated that the full market would continue thereafter. A full market operated for three weeks before returning to a reduced market in late December due to Covid Tier 4 restrictions.

2.3 Throughout the year, all casual and speciality traders have continued to pay for their pitch.

2.4 As of week beginning 4th January 2021, the parish is now in its third lockdown and the market is again reduced to selling permitted items only.

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