



APPENDIX A

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The paragraph numbers will need to be renumbered following Committee's review of the proposals

Farmers and Producers Market

Ethos: The key principles of our Farmers' Market is for the consumer to have a direct relationship with the producer.

In addition to the rules and regulations and Food trader appendix if applicable:

1. The markets operated by Leighton-Linslade Town Council are only for producers of their own produce who are actively involved in the production process of the goods for sale. All produce must be grown, reared, caught, brewed, pickled, baked, smoked or processed by the producer.
2. The market is only for **targets** local producers, defined as those producing within a 30 miles radius of the defined local area. However, producers up to approximately 50 miles radius may also be admitted, in order to ensure customers have as wide a product range as possible. ~~Non-local "guest producers"~~ **Those from** over 50 miles radius may be allowed to attend if their produce is not already represented. Preference will normally be given to closest producers, although factors such as reliability and past support for the market will also be taken into account.
3. ~~All guest producers will be asked to display a sign indicating their status as a guest — market officers will supply these at the market.~~
4. Stalls must be staffed by the producer, family member or someone who is **directly** involved in growing, raising or producing the goods on sale.
5. Stall sharing is permitted at the discretion of the ~~Town Centre and Market Officer~~ **Manager** or **their** representative. Producers must specify this in their application. ~~or complete a new application form and submit this for approval.~~
6. No bought-in produce or otherwise acquired products may be resold without further processing **by the trader that makes the product uniquely their own.** ~~Processed goods must contain at least 10%, and ideally 25% local ingredients. Labour cannot be counted as the local content contribution.~~ All secondary meat producers must source 100% of their meat from primary producers. ~~local to their establishment or within 30 miles from the market.~~ Marmalade can only be sold as long as it is part of a range of jams and preserves, which meets the ~~local content~~ **production** rule.
7. Leighton-Linslade Town Council can ask secondary producers to produce supplier invoices at any time to ensure continued compliance with Leighton-Linslade Town Council ~~minimum percentage~~ **production** rule for secondary producers.



8. Information must be available to customers about the producer's business and production methods. The information must also include the trading address of the business.
9. Information on the contents of any food produced must be available to the public as per Natasha's Law: <https://www.food.gov.uk/business-guidance/introduction-to-allergen-labelling-changes-ppds>
10. Where appropriate, producers of alcohol must ~~possess~~ be a ~~valid~~ Personal License Holder. ~~occasional off-licence~~. The copy of the licence must be available for inspection at the market. [A refusal log must be maintained on the stall along with a notice advising consumers of the legal age to buy alcohol.](#)
11. All producers, ~~including guest producers~~, agree to assist an inspection visit by Leighton-Linslade Town Council appointed representative to ensure compliance with these Rules; when requested.

It is proposed to delete the Guidance notes below in their entirety.

~~Guidance Notes on the interpretation of application Criteria for Farmers Market.~~

~~1. Locally produced~~

~~Produce must be defined as defined as those producing within a 30 miles radius of the defined local area. However, producers up to approximately 50 miles radius may also be admitted, in order to ensure customers have a wide a product range as possible.~~

~~Difficult to source produce:~~

~~Producers from further afield may attend the market if there is no suitable local producer of a given product. However 'preference will be given to the most local producer when a space becomes available at the market, without compromising quality'. Quality is determined at the Town Centre and Market Officer's discretion.~~

~~2. Principal producer~~

~~The stall should be operated by someone directly involved in production, not just in other aspects of the producer's business.~~

~~Community associations such as local allotment societies or Country Market groups may be agreed as principal producers on a case by case basis. This is subject to meeting other criteria~~

~~3. Primary, own produce~~

~~Primary produce will have been grown or reared on the producer's land, for livestock and plants this means grown or finished (having spent at least 50% to its life) on the producer's land. Preference should be given to the largest percentage of a products life cycle spent on the producer's land.~~



~~Game shot or caught within the defined local area may be sold at farmers markets by the person rearing or licensed to hunt the game.~~

~~Fish at a Farmers Market, ideally, should be sold by the fisherman. A representative of a number of known local boats may attend the market so long as the fishing grounds are known local, inshore waters and a link to the fishing business/es can be proven.~~

~~4. Secondary, own produce~~

~~Anyone processing produce or adding value is a secondary producer. For processed products the base product should be substantially altered and they must contain as much local ingredient as possible – this means grown or reared within the area the market defines as local. Receipts should be kept as proof of origin for inspection by the town centre and market officer and Trading Standards when requested; producer growing their own should be prepared to be visited the Town Centre and Market Officer or their representative.~~

~~5. Policy and information~~

~~Producers must produce clear written information about production methods which shall be available to any consumer who requests it. LLTC must also have access to this information in advance to publicise.~~

~~Farmers market traders should, for the time being, include a policy that no genetically modified organisms are knowingly sold or included in products sold at the market.~~

~~6. Split Stalls~~

~~If traders wish to split a stall space to allow small scale producers such as allotment associations to sell at the market. Each producer should be treated as a separate applicant and the criteria will apply as before.~~

~~In addition for split stalls:~~

- ~~• All producers involved should complete separate application forms~~
- ~~• All producers involved should have their own insurance~~
- ~~• Each producer's areas of the stall should distinct and produce must be clearly labelled with the producer's name and place of business in addition to legal labelling requirements.~~