

Culture, Leisure & Recreation Committee

Date:	7 October 2014
Title:	Continental Markets
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Purpose of the Report

1. To agree to two continental markets during 2015.

Background

2. French and Italian markets have been considered successful in attracting visitors to Thame and with making the town distinctive by promoting the market town image, increasing footfall and contributing to the local business economy within the town centre.

Proposal

3. It is proposed that a French Market and Italian Market are held and located around the Town Hall during 2015. Suggested dates for holding the markets, over a two day period, are: Italian Market 6-7 March 2015 and French Market 30 - 31 October 2015 ensuring dates do not clash with any other town event.
4. Each market would consist of 12 to 15 stalls arranged as indicated on the plan attached as Appendix 1. This will require a road closure to be taken out by the Town Council. All other arrangements will be managed by the company organising the market, including the removal of all waste.

Risk Assessment

5. A full risk assessment is attached to this report as Appendix 2.

Resource Appraisal

6. A fee comparable with the Tuesday market has been negotiated which will include the use of the external electricity points, with a slight reduction to cover two days continuous trading. Staff time and the road closure administration will be met through existing budget allocations.

Legal Powers: The Food Act 1984 part III

Recommendation:***The Committee is asked:***

- i) To approve the two continental markets for 2015***