

Community, Leisure & Recreation Committee

Date:	10 July 2018
Title:	Themed Markets
Contact Officer:	Cassie Pinnells, Community Services Manager

Purpose of the Report

1. To agree to host the French Market and World Village Market during 2019.

Background

2. French and World Village 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.

The French Market is due to visit on the 26-27 October 2018, this established themed Market is well received with residents and visitors asking in the Information Centre for 2019 dates.

Proposal

3. It is proposed that a French Market and World Village Market are held and located around the Town Hall during 2019. Suggested dates for holding the markets are the World Village Market over three days on 5-7 April 2019, and a two day French Market, in autumn on 25-26 October 2019 ensuring dates do not clash with any other town event.
4. Each market would consist of 16 to 20 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

7. 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 three 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 holding two Themed Markets in 2019*