WELWYN HATFIELD COUNCIL COUNCIL – 10 APRIL 2017

Recommendation from the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 30 January 2017:-

Consideration of Additional Street Trading Consent (Minute 47)

The Committee considered legalising street trading in certain areas of Hatfield Town Centre. This would enable the Town Centre Manager to invite traders to attend appropriate events to enhance the ambience, increase footfall and benefit businesses in Hatfield. It would be necessary for the Council to change the designation of these areas from "prohibited streets" to "consent streets".

Members expressed the view that it was useful to have control of the type of stalls trading in Hatfield to ensure a wider selection of products and services. It was also considered it to be a positive step for Hatfield Town Centre.

It was noted that Hatfield Town Council was working towards putting more events on in Hatfield.

The Committee welcomed and supported legalising street trading in certain areas of Hatfield Town Centre.

The Committee agreed that Hatfield Town Council be invited to work together with the Council to promote the events taking in place in Hatfield Town Centre and that a report on the implementation of legalising the street trading in certain areas of Hatfield be brought back to a future meeting.

The Committee agreed:-

- (1) That street trading in the areas of Hatfield Town Centre as detailed in the report of the Executive Director (Public Protection, Planning and Governance) be agreed and **RECOMMENDED** to the Council for adoption.
- (2) That the areas marked with a red boundary on the location map at appendix A in the report which were currently "prohibited streets" for the purpose of street trading be designated as "consent streets".
- (3) That the suggested fees for the consents above be £20-£25 per trader per day with an annual maximum payable for the entire consent of £1,155 per annum to Public Health and Protection.
- (4) That the street trading consent conditions include those items related to food safety as set out in section 6 of the report.