

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

**LICENSING
SUB-COMMITTEE**

5th AUGUST 2010

STREET TRADING CONSENT - APPLICATION

Relevant Portfolio Holder	Cllr. P. Whittaker
Relevant Head of Service	Steve Jordan - Head of Worcestershire Regulatory Services
Key Decision / Non-Key Decision	

1. SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS

- 1.1 To consider an application to permit street trading in respect of Anthony Charles Woolley who is a trader providing hot and cold food and drinks from a mobile unit sited at Slideslow Lay-by, Stratford Road, Bromsgrove.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Members determine the application. The application may be:
- 2.1.1 granted in whole or in part (with additional conditions, if appropriate) and subject to Mr. Woolley producing a trade waste agreement as set out at 12.1 of the Street Trading Policy or,
- 2.1.2 be refused,

provided that the Sub-Committee's decision is consistent with the Council's Street Trading Consent Policy.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 In accordance with the Street Trading Policy, a responsible authority is entitled to make representations. Responsible authorities include:-
- the Highways Authority – Worcestershire County Council;
 - the Chief Officer of Police;
 - the Council's Environmental Health team;
 - the Council's Street Scene and Community Services team;
 - the Council's Economic Development team;
 - Trading Standards;
 - the Parish Council (if any) in which the Trading Unit is to be located;
 - the Ward Councillors

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3.2 In accordance with the Street Trading Policy, the owners/occupiers of any properties near to the proposed location of the trading site for which an application has been made are entitled to make representations. "Near to" is not defined in the Street Trading Consent Policy.

4. KEY ISSUES

4.1 The Licensing Authority received an application on 18th March 2010 to conduct Street Trading, in accordance with the Street Trading Policy at Slideslow Lay-by, Stratford Road, Bromsgrove. Please see appendix A.

4.2 The application is seeking the following permissions:

Street Trading

- 08.00 am – 02:00pm Monday to Friday;
- 08:00 am – 01:00pm Saturday

Actual opening hours

- 08.00 am – 02:00pm Monday to Friday;
- 08:00 am – 01:00pm Saturday

4.3 No representations have been received from the responsible authorities named at 3.1 above.

4.4 Properties near to the proposed site as specified in 3.2 and 4.1 above have been notified and three letters of objection have been received. Please see Appendix B

4.5 A letter including a petition with 201 signatures in favour of the application has been received and is available as background papers to this report.

4.6 Six letters have also been received in support of this application and can be found at Appendix C

4.7 A plan indicating the location of the proposed street trading site is attached at Appendix D.

4.8 A photograph of the Snack Van can be found at Appendix E.

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5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Paragraph 6.4 of the Street Trading Consent Policy states if an application for a Street Trading Consent is refused the Council will refund the fee in full.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1982 section 3 empowers local authorities to designate all or part of their areas for the purposes of street trading. Schedule 4 of that Act specifies the procedure for resolving to designate streets, and for issuing Street Trading Consents.
- 6.2 Paragraph 7 of Schedule 4 of the Act permits the Council to grant a Street Trading Consent if they think fit and to attach conditions to it as they consider reasonable necessary to prevent obstruction of the street or danger to persons using it; or nuisance or annoyance (whether to persons using the street or otherwise). Model Conditions are included within the Bromsgrove District Council, Street Trading Policy.
- 6.3 Paragraph 8 of Schedule 4 of the Act, further permits the Council to include in Street Trading Consent permission for its holder to trade in a Consent Street from a stationary van, cart, barrow or other vehicle or from a portable stall.
- 6.4 Paragraph 10 of Schedule 4 of the Act states that a Street Trading Consent may be granted for any period not exceeding 12 months, but may be revoked at any time.
- 6.5 There is no right of appeal against the refusal to grant a Street Trading Consent.
- 6.6 The Sub-Committee is reminded that the Human Rights Act 1998 guarantees the right to a fair hearing for all parties in the determination of their civil rights.
- 6.7 Mr. Woolley has been invited to the meeting so that he can put forward his case.
- 6.8 All those making objections to this application have been invited to the meeting so they can put forward their case.

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7. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The Sub-Committee must have regard to the Street Trading Consent Policy adopted by Bromsgrove District Council on 20th January 2010

8. COUNCIL OBJECTIVES

- 8.1 CO1 – Regeneration, Priority Economic Development

9. RISK MANAGEMENT INCLUDING HEALTH & SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

- 9.1 The main risk associated with the details included in this report are:

- Decision made without having regard to Council Policy.

- 9.2 This risk is being managed as follows:

- Adhere to all licensing policies and legislation when determining applications for all licensing functions.
- Risk Register: Planning and Environment Services
- Key Objective Ref No. 8

10. CUSTOMER IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 All parties will be notified of the Council's decision in writing.

11. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 All applicants are dealt with on their own individual merits and are accepted in line with legislation and Council Policy.

12. VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS, PROCUREMENT AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

- 12.1 None.

13. CLIMATE CHANGE, CARBON IMPLICATIONS AND BIODIVERSITY

- 13.1 None.

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14. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

14.1 None

15. GOVERNANCE/PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

15.1 None

**16. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS INCLUDING SECTION 17 OF
CRIME AND DISORDER ACT 1998**

16.1 None

17. HEALTH INEQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

17.1 None

18. LESSONS LEARNT

18.1 None

19. COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

19.1 Please see paragraphs 3.1 and 3.2 above.

20. OTHERS CONSULTED ON THE REPORT

Portfolio Holder	Yes
Chief Executive	No
Executive Director (S151 Officer)	No
Executive Director – Leisure, Cultural, Environmental and Community Services	No
Executive Director – Planning & Regeneration, Regulatory and Housing Services	Yes
Director of Policy, Performance and Partnerships	No
Head of Service	Yes

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Head of Resources	No
Head of Legal, Equalities & Democratic Services	Yes
Corporate Procurement Team	No

21. WARDS AFFECTED

This report affects the Ward of Slideslow.

22. APPENDICES

Appendix A – Application
Appendix B – Letters of objections from local residents
Appendix C – Letters in support of application
Appendix D - Small map of location
Appendix E - Photograph of Mobile Van

23. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Street Trading Consent Policy
Letter from Mr. Woolley with Petition in favour of 201 Signatures

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