



ITEM OF URGENT BUSINESS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIRMAN

Licensing Regulatory Committee

Thursday, 9 January 2014

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LICENSING REGULATORY COMMITTEE

Street Collection Permits 2014 9 January 2014

Report of Licensing Manager

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The report contains a schedule of the organisations that have applied for street collection permits in 2014, together with details of the Licensing Regulatory Committee's current policy on the allocation of permits.

This report is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Licensing Regulatory Committee is recommended:-

- (1) To allocate permits to the 5 national charities that have applied for a permit for Lancaster.
- (2) To allocate a permit for Lancaster to the 5 local charities that demonstrate that all money collected will be distributed within the City Council District.
- (3) To authorise the Chief Officer (Governance) to allocate the remaining unallocated permits to both national and local charities, on a 'first come, first served' basis.

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 A schedule of organisations that have applied for Street Collection permits in 2014 is attached to of this report.
- 1.2 The Licensing Regulatory Committee is reminded of its policy with regard to the allocation of permits (minute No 25, 1999/2000 refers) which provides:
 - (a) That 96 street collection permits be available for allocation annually, as follows:-
 - 18 for Lancaster, 18 for Morecambe, 12 for Carnforth and the Rural areas for national charities and 18 for Lancaster, 18 for Morecambe, 12 for Carnforth and the rural areas for local charities, which demonstrate that all money collected will be distributed within the City Council district.
 - (b) That, in addition, permits be issued annually to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal; the Lancaster University Rag Appeal; the Lancaster, Morecambe & Carnforth Round Table Christmas Appeals; the Lancaster, Morecambe & Carnforth Carnivals; the Morecambe Branch of the RNLI and the Telethon Appeal.

- (c) That, if in any one year there are more allocations than permits available, then the allocation be determined by ballot, the Licensing Regulatory Committee being recommended to give first consideration to those applicants utilising their funds locally.
- (d) No charity to be granted street collection permits for both Lancaster and Morecambe in any one year.
- (e) That a charity which has been granted street collection permits for 3 consecutive years be granted a permit for the 4th year in succession, only if no other qualifying charities would, as a consequence, be deprived of a permit.
- 1.4 Members will note from the policy and from the schedule of applications, that there are sufficient permits available, in accordance with the policy, for all applicants to be granted a permit, although, in accordance with the policy those charities that have applied for permits for Lancaster and Morecambe may only be allocated one.

2.0 CONCLUSION

2.1 It is recommended that permits be issued to all applicants that meet the criteria listed in the schedule, and that the Chief Officer (Governance) be authorised to allocate the remaining permits on a 'first come first served' basis.

CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT

(including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial Services have not been consulted.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal implications.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Applications for Street Collection Permits.

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SCHEDULE OF STREET COLLECTION APPLICATIONS 2014

LANCASTER AREA [NATIONAL]

Organisation	Function	Date
Childreach	Raising funds for disadvantaged children in third world countries.	08/02/2014
Help for Heroes	To raise funds for injured soldiers.	09/08/2014
Parachute regimental Charities	Airborne Charities	24/05/2014
Animal Protection	To raise funds for educational resources to be used in secondary schools.	03/05/2014
Retrak	To raise funds for street children in Africa	12/04/2014

LANCASTER AREA [LOCAL]

Organisation	Function	Date
Marie Curie	To raise funds for high quality nursing	15/03/2014
Making memories	To raise funds and contribute to the making memories Charity	25/01/2014
Act Against Injustice	To raise funds to Act Against Injustice	07/06/2014
St Johns Hospice	Vital care for local people with life limiting conditions.	21/06/2014
Galloway's Society for the Blind	To raise funds to provide specialist equipment and social activities to blind and visually impaired people.	Not specified.

No applications have been received for Morecambe to date.