

Morning Mark

From the regeneration perspective, inc for public realm considerations, LSR etc, comments as follows -

No issues with the spatial extent of the street café, indeed I welcome the 'extension' into Market Street. As existing it is very restricted and the proposed will fit well with the street layout. Regarding the request for the time variation the application is not clear about what is sought exactly but I assume this is from 7.00 am. If so this is very early and out of line with the operation of street cafes licensed to date in the city centre, so to agree the application would set something of a precedent. This said I understand the reasoning for seeking the time variation and in principle have no problem with it. The only possible issues it raises are whether the earlier operation would constrain the ability to clean the street surface in the café area or unduly constrain the movement of servicing vehicles. I would have thought that if the former is an issue it could readily be managed. As regards the latter while I can foresee that in some locations within the city centre the operation of a street café so early might constrain servicing vehicles I don't anticipate any such problem in this instance given the width of Market Street here. In my view therefore the time variation might be supported in this specific instance but it will be important to be clear that this should not be read as setting any precedent.

Regards

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