



| Subject: | Tesco Taste Festival – Market Licence Application |
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| Date: | 8 August 2018 |
| Reporting Officer: | John Greer, Director of Economic Development |
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| Restricted Reports | | |
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| Is this report restricted? | Yes No | X |
| If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted? | | |
| After Committee Decision | | |
| After Council Decision | | |
| Some time in the future | | |
| Never | | |
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| Call-in | | |
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| Is the decision eligible for Call-in? | Yes No | X |

| 1.0 | Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues |
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| 1.1 | The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval to grant a licence for a market in Custom House Square in September 2018 for Tesco's 'Taste of Northern Ireland' Market. |
| 2.0 | Recommendations |
| 2.1 | The Committee is asked to: Agree to grant the licence to Denvir Marketing on behalf of Tesco for the Taste of Northern Ireland market at Custom House Square on 21st – 23rd September 2018. |

| 3.0 | Main report |
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| 3.1 | Members will be aware that anyone wishing to operate a market or car boot sale within |
| | Belfast must apply to Belfast City Council for permission to do so. An application has recently |
| | been received from Tesco for the 'Taste of Northern Ireland' Festival to be held in Custom |
| | House Square, Belfast on 21st – 23rd September 2018. |
| 3.2 | In line with the overall Belfast City Council Markets Development Strategy, this Tesco market |
| | will help to enhance this area of the city and, in doing so, drive footfall into Custom House |
| | Square and the surrounding area. This one-off annual event will animate the city and support |
| | the other permanent market offer on that weekend. |
| 3.3 | This is the seventh year that this event has taken place in Belfast. It is designed to showcase |
| | the range of food and drinks produced in Northern Ireland that are available from Tesco |
| | stores. Some stallholders do have products for sale on the day; however, many will offer free |
| | samples and use the event as an opportunity to demonstrate their product range. Numbers |
| | are currently being finalised but it is expected that there will be around 70 stalls at the event. |
| 3.4 | The event organisers have supplied the relevant documentation for this event to meet all |
| | relevant statutory and regulatory obligations. This includes public liability insurance, risk |
| | assessments, HACCP policy and house rules, operational plan covering issues such as |
| | security and stewarding, traffic management system and first aid provision, environmental |
| | health information regarding noise omission, sale of food and beverages, waste |
| | management and fire regulations. Officers from the Markets Development Unit have also |
| | engaged with the relevant officers across the Council in order to check and verify this |
| | documentation and are content that all is in order. Checks will also be carried out during the |
| | event, in line with the Markets Rights Policy guidelines. |
| 3.5 | Financial & Resource Implications |
| | The market will generate income for the Council. There will be a one-off application fee of |
| | £50 and £5 stallage fee for each stall. |
| 3.6 | Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment |
| | No specific equality, good relations or rural needs implications. |
| 4.0 | Appendices – Documents Attached |
| | None. |