



Subject:	Tesco Taste Festival – Market Licence Application
Date:	8 August 2018
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Restricted Reports		
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		

Call-in		
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
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	<ul> <li>The Committee is asked to:</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>

3.0	Main report
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.