AGENDA ITEM NO.

DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH

LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>26TH MAY 2005</u>

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW AND PROPERTY

APPLICATION FOR FRENCH MARKET

1.0. PURPOSE

1.1. To consider the application on behalf of Mr Marzolini Eddy for the grant of a Street Trading consent for a French Market in High Street, Dudley.

2.0. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. On the 19th April 2005, Mr Eddy made application for the grant of a consent to engage in street trading in respect of a French Market in High Street, Dudley for the 9th, 10th and 11th June 2005. A copy of that application is attached to this report as appendix 1.
- 2.2 A site plan of the proposed market is also attached to this report as appendix 2.
- 2.3 This application was circulated to the West Midlands Police, Directorate of the Urban Environment, Democratic Services, Dudley Town Centre Manager and Julie Jones, Commercial Operations Manager, Corporate Estates.
- 2.4 Julie Jones, Commercial Operations Manager, Corporate Estates made various comments which are attached to this report as appendix 3.
- 2.5 The Director of the Urban Environment was unable to comment. A copy of the report is attached as Appendix 4.
- 2.6 Dudley Town Centre Manager made comments which are attached to this report as Appendix 5.
- 2.7 None of the other agencies raised any objections.
- 3.0 <u>PROPOSAL</u>

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3.1. That the Committee consider Mr Eddy 's application for the grant of a consent to engage in street trading.

4.0 <u>FINANCE</u>

- 4.1. There are no financial implications.
- 5.0. <u>LAW</u>
- 5.1. The grant of consents to engage in street trading is governed by Part III of Schedule IV to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982. High Street/Coventry Street, Stourbridge is a consent streets designated as such by a resolution of the Council. To trade without such a consent is an offence.
- 5.2. Paragraph 7(2) of Schedule IV of the 1982 Act, states that the Council may grant a consent if it thinks fit and, when granting or renewing a consent, the Council may attach such conditions as it considers necessary.
- 5.3 Paragraph 10 of Schedule IV of the 1982 Act, states that a street trading consent may be granted for one period not exceeding 12 months but may be revoked at any time.
- 5.4 Where the consent allows the holder to trade from a cart, barrow, or other vehicle, then the consent must specify the location from which the trade/may trade and the times between which or periods for which he may trade.
- 5.5 There is no right of appeal against the Council's decision to vary a condition upon which a consent is issued, or refusal to grant or renew a street trader's consent.

6.0. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

- 6.1. This report takes account of the Council's policy on equal opportunities.
- 7.0. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
- 7.1. That the Committee determine Mr. Eddy's application for the grant of a street trading consent.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

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8.1 Application Form.

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