Burnham Risk Assessment

Activity - Stalls on public highway

Position of stalls could block access for emergency vehicles.

Control measure - stalls need to be located to permit adequate access using part of the road and part of the pavement.

Risk - small

Responsibility – lay out - day manager/traders responsible for table positioning.

Activity - Collision/access blocked during set-up/dismantle

Traders cannot always get close to their pitches to load and unload and often have to manoeuvre around other vehicles.

Control measure - loading and unloading should be done as quickly as possible. A trolley may be needed for heavy items. Attention needs to be paid to other vehicles and pedestrians.

Risk - moderate.

Responsibility – canopy contractors/day manager/all to be alert to potential hazards.

Activity - Electricity cables causing a trip hazard

Control measure - those requiring electricity will be positioned as close to the electricity source as possible to avoid cables being exposed. The cable that crosses the pavement and highway to be covered by a rubber mat.

Risk - small.

Responsibility – day managers and traders

Activity - Fire hazard from stalls cooking food.

Control measure - stall holders must have appropriate fire extinguisher or fire blanket.

Risk - small.

Responsibility – day manager and traders.

Activity - Collapse of stall causing injury

Control measure – canopy contractor to ensure adequate weights on each stall. Day manager to check. Public liability insurance provided by SFM.

Risk – moderate.

Responsibility – canopy contractor and day manager

Activity - Food poisoning risk

Control measures - stallholders are vetted by SFM for public liability insurance and are subject to food hygiene legislation, including being registered as food businesses with the local Environmental Health Department. Market duration is limited to 4 hours. Meat stalls have priority for shade and electricity is prioritised for food cooling. Risk - small

Responsibility – stallholders are responsible for food hygiene and the safety of their produce.

Activity - Electric shock risk.

Control measure - stallholders to have RCD trips on electricity supplies; equipment and cables must be tested annually. Cables protected by rubber matting

Risk - small

Responsibility – day manager and traders

Activity - Waste generated by stalls causing hygiene/obstruction risk

Control measure - stallholders to remove all waste after the event rather than using the public bins.

Day manager to carry out final inspection of site.

Risk - small

Responsibility - all stallholders responsible for their own waste.

Activity - Injury to public attending event

First aid kit available from day manager. Risk of public tripping on high kerb both sides of the market and if cutting between stalls.

Control measure - warn customers of kerb. Block any space if a stall is vacant.

Risk - small

Responsibility - day manager

Activity - Severe weather

Market location susceptible to rain and high winds.

Control measure - four weights must be available for each canopy. The market will close if necessary in line with the severe weather protocol

Risk - moderate.

Responsibility - canopy contractor/day manager.

Activity - Lost children

Control measure - designated lost children officer is the day manager, who will notify the police if the parents do not return within 30 minutes.

Risk - small

Responsibility - day manager.