Crewkerne Risk Assessment

Activity - Stalls on public highway

Position of stalls could block access for emergency vehicles.

Control measure - stall layout provides adequate access for the public and in emergencies. Grouped in two rows with adequate access through the middle.

Risk - small

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

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

Control measure - canopies erected before traders arrive and dismantled after they depart. Traders repark cars immediately after unloading. Care needed when reversing as is a pedestrianised area. Day manager to be vigilant during setting up/clearing up periods and to remain on site until canopy contractor arrives.

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 must give notice so that cables can be positioned over the canopies ie above head height.

Risk - small

Responsibility – day managers and traders

Activity - Fire hazard from stalls cooking food

Control measure - stall holders must have appropriate fire extinguishe 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 Lliability 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 - stall holders 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 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

Control measure - first aid kit available from day manager. Location of musical entertainers away from the stalls to avoid cables being a hazard. Acoustic only in wet weather.

Risk - small.

Responsibility - day manager

Activity - Severe weather

Control measure - two 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