

Somerset Farmers Market Risk Assessment (Nailsea)

Activity - Stalls on Public Highway subject to Road closure

Hazard - Position of stalls could block access for the public or emergency vehicles.

Control measure - The plan of the stall layout provides adequate access for the public and emergency vehicles. Grouped in 1 row with adequate access on pavements and on the road.

Risk – Small

Responsibility – Lay out - Day manager/traders responsible for table positioning.

Activity - Collision/access blocked during setup/dismantling

Control measure - Canopies erected before traders arrive and dismantled after they depart.

Traders re-park their cars immediately after unloading and only approx. 5/6 cars at a time will park on the High Street to unload and will be given a 15 minute slot to do this.

Day manager to be vigilant during setting up/clearing up periods and to remain on site until canopy contractors arrive.

Risk - Moderate.

Responsibility – Canopy contractors/Day Manager/all to be alert to potential hazards.

Activity - Fire Hazard from stalls cooking food

Control Measure - stall holders must have appropriate fire extinguisher/fire blanket.

Risk – Small.

Responsibility – Day Manager and Traders.

Activity - Collapse of stall causing injury

Control measure - Operator employed to erect/dismantles canopies, minimum 2 weights on each stall.

The market will be cancelled if the weather forecast is for severe wind.

Public Liability insurance provided by SFM.

Risk – Moderate.

Responsibility – SFM.

Activity – Food Poisoning Risk

Control Measures - stallholders vetted by SFM for food hygiene & public liability and subject to food hygiene legislation including being registered as food businesses with environmental health.

Market limited to 4 hours. Meat stalls have priority for the shade.

Risk – Small.

Responsibility - Stallholders responsible for the safety of their produce.

Activity – Electric Shock Risk

Control measure - Stall holders to have RCD trips on electricity supplies and be PAT Tested annually.

Risk – Small.

Responsibility – Day Manager and Traders should ensure all cables are in good condition and protected by rubber matting.

Activity - Waste Generated by stalls causing hygiene/obstruction risk

Control - Stallholders to remove all waste after the event.

Day manager to carry out final inspection of site.

Risk – Small.

Responsibility - All stallholders responsible for their own waste.

Activity - Entertainers/injury to public/risk to children

Control Measure - Location of musical entertainers away from the stalls to avoid cables being a hazard.

Acoustic only in wet weather. Any children's activities organisers CRB checked.

Risk – Small.

Responsibility - Day Manager.

Activity - Injury to public attending event

Control - 1st Aid kit available with Day Manager.

Risk – Small.

Responsibility - Day Manager.

Activity – Severe Weather

Control – to minimise impact of wind 2 weights on each canopy. After stall holder has vacated pitch close canopy umbrella on windy days.

The market will close if deemed necessary. (We have a severe weather protocol).

Risk – Moderate.

Responsibility - Canopy Contractor/Day Manager.

Activity - Lost Children

Control - 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..

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