

APPENDIX L - Continental Market Decisions – supporting information.

Community Committee – 17th January 2024:

00527 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A representative of the Bexhill Lions Club addressed the meeting, seeking assistance with road closures for the Continental Market. The assistance is required to sustain its viability due to the removal of public liability insurance for road closures by Lions International.

00531 CORRESPONDENCE

a) Continental Market – An update was received from the Bexhill Lions regarding road closures on Devonshire Road. It was **RESOLVED** to provide road closure assistance to the Bexhill Lions to facilitate the Continental Market.

HR Sub Committee – 21st March 2024:

The HR Sub Committee met to review the assistance for road closures provided by council staff. It was noted that the burden on the staff, in terms of time, expertise, and safety in operating road closures, was considerable. Consequently, the Clerk was instructed to source quotes from contractors to perform the road closure duties. A recommendation will be made to the Finance and Audit Committee for external assistance with road closures.

Finance and General Purposes Committee – 24th April 2024:

00846 STAFF MATTERS

b) To receive recommendation from HR Sub Committee. It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with hiring an external road closure contractor, with funds to be taken from the reserves. The street market will be funded for May 2024.

The Clerk was asked to inform the Lions that the road closures for September would not be financed by the Town Council.

As the Community Committee had previously advised the Lions that the road closures would be covered by the Town Council, this has created an issue for the Lions as without road closures the September market will not be able to go ahead.

Full Council Consideration:

The Full Council is asked to consider the support available to the Bexhill Lions for future Continental Market road closures.