

**MINUTES OF MARKET'S COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
Wednesday 10th February 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in Suite B, Council Offices, Holsworthy**

Present: Cllrs. B. Priddy, P. Johns, B. Harris, E. Squire and D. Smith
Town Clerk in Attendance
Mr. Peter Grabham

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Apologies

Cllr. Buckingham

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Declaration of Interests

The Chairman asked Members to declare their interests for items on the Agenda as and when they arise.

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Minutes of last Meeting

Cllr. Harris proposed that Cllr. Johns sign the Minutes of the previous Meeting held on 20th January, 2010 as a true record. Cllr. Squire seconded the proposal which was agreed. (Vote 4 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions). Cllr. Johns, as Chairman, duly signed the Minutes.

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Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

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Market Accounts - To receive the Income and Expenditure breakdown for Holsworthy Market for the month of January, 2010 and the year on year comparison table.

The income and expenditure breakdown, together with the year on year comparison tables, were circulated with the Agenda, they form part of these Minutes, and are attached as **Appendix 1**.

Cllr. Smith arrived 7.34pm

It was noted that the income was currently poor due to the provision of half rents during January and February. After a short discussion Members agreed that the Committee may need to reconsider this provision in the future.

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New/Amended Application – to assess new and amended Market Trader applications.

DCM Associates – selling globes, specialist cards, notebooks and wrappings.

Soldon Cross Farm – request to offer catering in addition to existing business of selling Sausage/Bacon/Pork.

Chris Sheen – sale of cheese and pasties, requests to keep his refrigerated van in The Square, due to stock needing to be stored at below 5°C.

Cllr. Harris proposed that permission be granted to DCM associates and Soldon Cross Farm and that Mr Sheen's request be declined, as the van being parked in The Square, was not essential to Mr Sheen's trading. The proposal was seconded by Cllr. Priddy and agreed unanimously. (Vote 5 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions)

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To Discuss Any Other Matters Relating to the Market.

Cllr. Johns reported that she had been visited by Mrs. B. Johns of Sole Mates who had made another complaint regarding the layout of the Market, as this week the back of the stalls had been placed right up to the pavement. The Clerk explained that Mr Baker, Market Manager, was currently on holiday and that Mr Grabham had overseen the erection of the stalls. Cllr. Johns commented that it had been agreed, at the January meeting, that the new layout, which appeared to be working, should be tried for several weeks. After discussion it was unanimously agreed that the stalls facing the Original Factory Shop and the Charity Shops should be turned round to face the other side of The Square. The Clerk was asked to instruct Mr Baker to implement this decision which would be reviewed after 4-6 weeks.

Cllr. Harris proposed that shop keepers should be asked for their average takings on a Wednesday when the Market is operating in The Square. Then for a limited period of time, say one month, the market be

suspended and the shop keepers be asked again for their average takings, whilst the market was suspended. He added that it is radical, but steps need to be taken to stop complaints from the businesses in The Square. There was a lengthy discussion where members discussed the implications of taking such actions. There was no seconder for the proposal.

Cllr. Johns reported that she had received a letter from Holsworthy and Stratton Winter Fair, proposing that the show for the halter led cattle could be moved to the Square on the evening of late night Christmas shopping. This was discussed by Members and considered as a thoroughly good idea. As late night Christmas Shopping is a Chamber of Trade event, Cllr. Johns said she would bring it to the Chambers attention at its AGM on 3rd March 2010.

The Clerk confirmed she had been investigating the cost of road closure signs. She was not sure how many Mr. Baker required and recommended the matter be discussed at the March meeting.

The Clerk confirmed she had received a verbal complaint regarding Mr D. Millman trading on the Market, as the duplication policy had been breached. Members instructed the Clerk to confirm to the complainant that the Council had regularised an existing situation. It was also agreed to review the duplication policy at the March meeting.

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Clerk's Report

The Clerk had nothing to report.

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Close

The Meeting closed at 8.20pm.

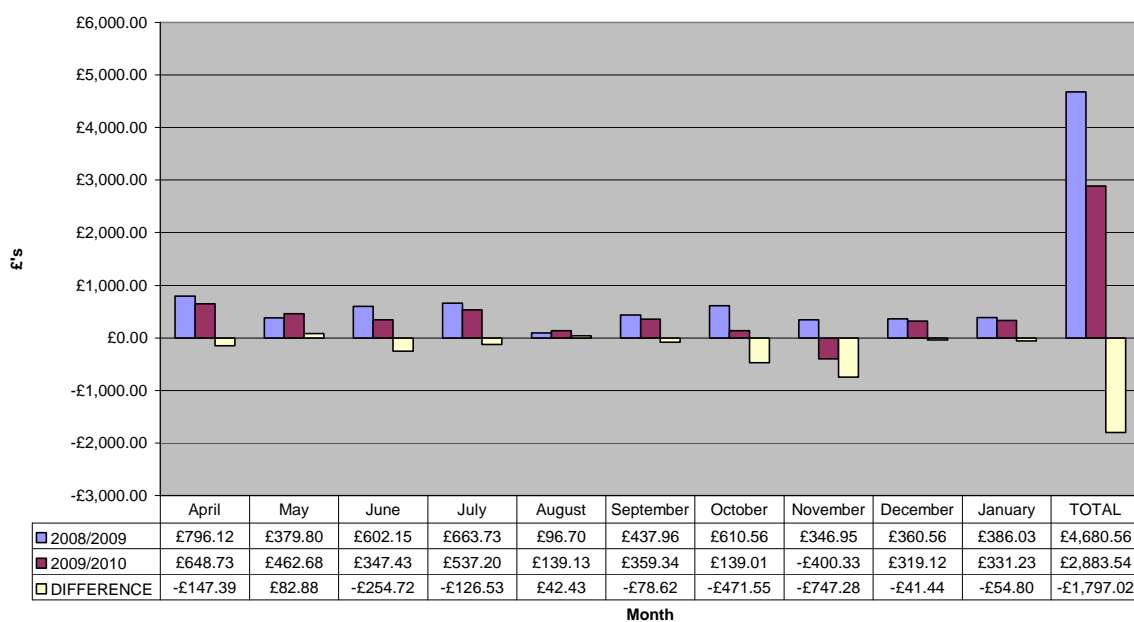
Signed

Dated

Appendix One

DATE	MARKET TAKINGS	MANAGEMENT FEE	OTHER EXPENSES	NET PROFIT	REASON FOR EXPENSES
Jan-10					
06.01.10	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
13.01.10	£71.78	£250.00		-£178.22	
20.01.10	£179.10	£250.00		-£70.90	
27.01.10	£167.89	£250.00		-£82.11	
	£418.77	£750.00	£0.00	-£331.23	

Net Profit Comparison



Gross Profit Comparison

