

FOI REF: 15466

RESPONSE SENT: 30/04/2025

Request

I am writing to formally request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding street trading pitches within your jurisdiction.

Specifically, I would like to request:

- 1. A list of all currently available pitches for street trading, especially isolated pitches, and pitches on pavement.
- 2. If there are no pitches currently available, a list of all street trading pitches, along with the dates on which they are due for renewal.
- 3. Where a person wishes to trade from a place that is not a designated site, please describe in detail your process for considering designating that place as a licence site e.g. compressive criteria's that needs to be met and comprehensive reasons why a licence to a new site may not be given.

Response

 We operate a number of consents streets for which traders can apply for a Street Trading consent. Further detail can be found on our web pages <u>Street Trading Consent - Winchester City Council</u>.

In addition, there is a well-established street market operating from the High Street, which is managed by our Economic and Tourism Team. Details of the Markets and how to apply for a pitch can be found here <u>Markets - Winchester City Council</u>.

There are three concession pitches for mobile light refreshment trading on council owned land. One in River Park and two in Abbey Gardens. These are annual licences.

- 2. Winchester City Council contracts an operator to deliver a street market on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and two Sundays a month. There is a map of the 41 pitches available to traders in our <u>Winchester Street Market Operating</u> <u>Policy</u> (Appendix page 20). Traders apply for annual licenses to trade; renewal dates are rolling from the date of issue.
- 3. There are no current plans to extend the existing list of consent streets as set out in the link Street Trading Consent Winchester City Council