

**To all Parish Councils:**

Dear Sir/Madam

Please allow me to introduce myself, I am Rachel Jackson, and have recently been appointed as Principal Licensing Officer at south Cambs, leading on a wide variety of licensing matters including street trading.

Legislation relating to the provision of Street trading is set out in the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1982. The Act requires Local Authorities to specifically adopt the provisions relating to controlling street trading if they are to be relied upon. The Act was never adopted District-wide by South Cambridgeshire District Council, and to address this, I am writing to inform you that a report will be taken to the Council's Cabinet in the near future to consider if it wishes the Council to adopt the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 for the whole of the District, and not just part as current.

Introducing a blanket control would enable the introduction of a fair, safe, well-regulated and equitable manner District-wide, and enable the Authority to licence or enforce, previously unlicensed traders who have not undergone any form of background or insurance checks legally operating in the District, without being subject to operating conditions or restrictions on times of trading or location, whilst offering support for business to adapt flexibly following the pandemic.

Should the decision to adopt District-wide be agreed, then this would require a notice to be published, but this would be time limited, so I am giving notice in advance to allow you to consider your views at your meeting(s) prior to the Cabinet meeting. Should you or any other party wish to make representation to the proposal, then the representations would be referred back to Cabinet for decision.

Should a decision be made to adopt the legislation fully, then I would then review the existing Street Trader Policy which again you would be formally consulted on.

I look forward to hearing your views once the formal consultation commences.

Best wishes

Rachel

**Rachel Jackson** | Principal Licensing Officer

