

<b>Report to:</b>	<b>PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE</b>
<b>Relevant Officer:</b>	Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Service
<b>Date:</b>	21 March 2017

## **ALLOCATION OF STREET COLLECTIONS 2017/2018**

### **1.0 Purpose of the report:**

1.1 To consider the allocation of street collections for 2017/2018

### **2.0 Recommendation(s):**

2.1 To consider the applications for street collection permits detailed in 5.4 – 5.12

2.2 To delegate to the Head of Licensing Services authority to issue further suitable applicants with permits.

2.3 To authorise the grant of a permit under the street collection regulations to cover the public collections made via the collection booths during the period of the illuminations and to permit the sale to the public a brochure on the evening of the Switch On of the 2017 Illuminations.

### **3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):**

3.1 The Sub-Committee is required to consider applications received for the forthcoming year and consider whether they wish to deal with future applications themselves or delegate powers to grant suitable applications to the Head of Licensing Services.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

The Sub-Committee has the power to grant or refuse the applications.

#### **4.0 Council Priority:**

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is “The Economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool”

#### **5.0 Background Information**

5.1 Street collections are regulated by under the Police, Factories, etc (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1916.

5.2 This report sets out the charities on the approved Council list together with other requests for collection permits in 2017/2018.

5.3 The Sub-Committee is requested to select those organisations which should be allowed street collection permits for the forthcoming 12 month period.

5.4 The following organisations on the approved list have indicated that they wish to hold a street collection in Blackpool during 2017/2018:

- Blackpool RNLI
- The Salvation Army
- Trinity Hospice

Copies of the applications can be found in Appendix 3(a)

5.5 The Licensing Service has also received the following applications for street collections in the forthcoming year. Copies of the applications can be found in Appendix 3(b)

5.6 **Future Sense Foundation.** This is a national charity which supports disadvantaged communities around the world. The application for consideration today is for a permit to collect in the Town Centre on 26 March 2017. Four previous permits have been issued but none have been used.

5.7 **Help for Heroes.** This is a national charity providing support to members of the armed forces. This applicant has been granted one previous permit. Applications are made for collections on 7/8 April, 12/13 May, 14/15 July. Blackpool BID has no objections but cannot guarantee space in St Johns Square until nearer those dates.

5.8 **British Lung Foundation.** This is a charity which supports people suffering from lung disease. The application is for permits to make collections on the Promenade on 16 April 2017. This would be the charities first street collection in Blackpool.

- 5.9 **Make a Wish UK.** This is a charity grants wishes to enrich the lives of children and young people living with life threatening conditions. A permit is requested for a collection in the Town Centre on 10 June 2017. The last permit was granted in 2012.
- 5.10 **Sense.** This is a national charity supporting people who are deafblind, have sensory impairments or have complex needs. The application is for a collection on 8 July 2017 between North and South Pier.
- 5.11 **SSAFA and Broughton House** This is a military charity. Veterans will be walking from Bury to Blackpool to arrive in time to join the armed forces day parade. Visit Blackpool are agreeable to this collection taking place as long as no collection takes place north of Festival House and no collection buckets are present at the Cenotaph. This is the first application for a collection in the area by this charity.
- 5.12 **Alzheimer’s Society.** A charity to support research into dementia. The application is for a collection on the Tower Headland on 8 October 2017. One previous collection has been granted

5.13 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.14 **List of Appendices:**

- Appendix 3(a) Applications detailed in 5.4
- Appendix 3(b) Applications detailed in 5.6-5.12

**6.0 Legal considerations:**

6.1 None

**7.0 Human Resources considerations:**

7.1 None

**8.0 Equalities considerations:**

8.1 None

**9.0 Financial considerations:**

9.1 None

**10.0 Risk management considerations:**

10.1 None

**11.0 Ethical considerations:**

11.1 None

**12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:**

12.1 Consultation has been undertaken with the BID team or Visit Blackpool depending on where the collection is due to take place.

**13.0 Background papers:**

13.1 None