



## Belfast City Council

<b>Report to:</b>	Development Committee
<b>Subject:</b>	Economic Initiatives – Markets Unit
<b>Date:</b>	12 August 2009
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### Relevant Background Information

#### September 2009 St George's Market Food Festival Month

In September 2008 St George's Market was part of the Belfast Food Festival and it proved to be very popular with customers and traders alike. Although as an event the Belfast Food Festival is not operating in Belfast this year, St George's Market will host its own Festival of Food during September. As a Northern Ireland premier food market, a variety of cooking demonstrations and tasting will take place throughout September.

#### Letting of Units in Smithfield Market

The Development Committee at its meeting on 22 September 1999 granted the authority for the Director of Development, in consultation with the Chairman of the Development Department, to approve the terms of future lettings, subject to those terms being reported retrospectively to the Development Committee.

The Committee is asked to note the following lettings which have been agreed in Smithfield Market.

### Key Issues

#### St. George's Market Food Festival

St George's Market was an integral part of Belfast Food Festival during September 2008. There was a variety of cookery demonstrations, food tasting, and a celebrity cook off which proved to be very popular with customers and traders alike. We will again this year be running our Festival of Food using local produce, local chefs and involving our own St George's traders.

As Northern Ireland's premier food market, a variety of cooking demonstrations and tastings will take place throughout September.

5 September: Local Chef - Sea Food & Organic Produce Cookery Demonstration

12 September: Local Chef - Cookery Demonstration

19 September: Japanese Tea Party hosted by Suki Tea & Cupcake party

26 September: Cheese & Wine tasting and cheese making demonstrations

The above are all free entrance.

For more information contact details are:

St George's Market 02890 435704 or [www.belfastcity.gov.uk/stgeorgesmarket](http://www.belfastcity.gov.uk/stgeorgesmarket)

#### Letting of Smithfield Market Units

The Committee is asked to note the following lettings which have been agreed.

#### Unit 1 – Smithfield Market: Nail Bar and Health Products

Tenant: Mariusz Olzzewski and Sabina Lukomska  
Flat 6 6 Cherryville Street  
6 Cromwell Road Belfast  
Belfast BT6 8BJ  
BT7 1JW

Unit size: 175 Sq. Ft Ground Floor

Terms: £200.00 per month  
Tenancy Agreement for 6 months and monthly there after commencing 6 July 2009.

#### Unit 7 – Smithfield Market: Groceries (Pilipino Products) – Rice, Noodles, Canned Foods, Sauces etc

Tenant: Enrique Benasa  
63 Dunlambert Drive  
Belfast  
BT15 3NF

Unit size: 426 Sq. Ft Ground Floor  
220 Sq Ft Mezzanine Floor

Terms: £536.00 per month  
Tenancy Agreement for 6 months and monthly there after commencing 1 August 2009.

### **Resource Implications**

#### Financial

#### September 2009 St George's Market Food Festival:

Approximately £500 spend on products for the various cookery/tasting demonstrations, setting up and manning of mobile PA system.

This cost is included in the current St George's Market PR budget.

### **Recommendations**

Members are asked to:

1. Note the Food events during September.
2. Note the Lettings of Units in Smithfield Market and that lettings now at 100%

### **Decision Tracking**

No decision tracking applicable as report is for notation only.

### **Key to Abbreviations**

PA    Personal Address System  
PR    Public Relations

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