



Casual Trading Bye Law Review 2022



Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe
Galway City Council

Galway City Council Casual Trading Bye-Laws 2022

Presentation to
Environment &
Climate Change SPC
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Review Process

- ▶ Presentation to SPC members on existing Bye Laws 2011 - February 2022
- ▶ Feedback from SPC members with requested inclusions
- ▶ Draft Byelaws brought back to May meeting of SPC
- ▶ Public Notice in paper June 2022
- ▶ Public Consultation / receipt of submissions June/July 2022
- ▶ Byelaws at 28th September SPC
- ▶ Main Council Meeting in October 2022 for making of the Bye-Law
- ▶ Bye Law will come into force on such date as shall be specified in the bye-law, which is not less than 30 days after its making.

Current 2011 Bye Laws

- ▶ Current Designated Trading areas include Eyre Square North, Woodquay & Church yard Street, Lombard Street & Market Street (St Nicholas Market)
- ▶ Weekly markets include Saturday & Sunday St Nicholas Markets, Eyre Square Monday -Saturday Market along with Arts Festival & Christmas Markets.
- ▶ Pilot Summer Friday Market in place for several years
- ▶ Robust selection procedures currently in place and working well

Current Bye Laws continued

- ▶ Active Casual Trader Committee in place
- ▶ Licence fees fixed cannot be amended without review of byelaws
- ▶ Option to grant special event licences on request outside designated areas.

Some suggested inclusions for 2022

- ▶ Possible extension of existing St Nicholas Market, this happened during Covid
- ▶ Designation of new areas for Casual Trading in the City e.g. Food Market, Beaches, Southpark/Nimmos Pier, Green area/Carpark in Salthill
- ▶ Need to formalise the inclusion of Summer Friday market
- ▶ Consider revised fee structure with annual review mechanism

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- ▶ Possibility of a ban on single use plastics
- ▶ Exemptions to the Bye Law to be clearly defined e.g. Ice cream vans, religious stalls associated with Events
- ▶ Pollution Control, waste management, litter management etc.
- ▶ Sanctions for Illegal Traders

Final thought for the members as you move forward with this review of our Casual Trading Bye Laws



Your submissions please by the 25th March 2022, following which a draft Bye Law document will be formulated and brought back to the SPC for the May meeting.