

## STREET COLLECTION PERMITS POLICY

Portfolio:	Community
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Ward(s) Affected:	All
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### Purpose

**To reconsider the allocation of collection days reserved specifically for the Surrey Border Lions and to amend the Street Collection Policy as necessary.**

### Background

1. This Committee last considered the Council's Street Collection Policy at a meeting on 3 September 2014, when the policy was updated to make specific provisions for collections by the Royal British Legion in the run up to Remembrance Day. An extract from the minutes of this meeting is attached at Annex 1.
2. It is illegal to hold a Street Collection (to collect money or sell articles for the benefit of charitable or other purposes) without obtaining a Street Collection Licence (SCL) from the Council if that collection is to be held 'in a street or public place'.
3. Local authorities alone issue SCLs under Section 5 of the Police, Factories, etc. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1916, as amended by the Local Government Act 1972 and Schedule 29 of that Act.
4. The Council has issued Regulations under statutory powers. These are laid down by central Government and are largely the same for all authorities.

### Current Position

5. The current Street Collection Policy, attached as Annex 2, lays out clear aims and objectives and defines how the Policy should be applied.
6. Paragraph 4 of the current policy states 'A maximum of four collection days shall be issued to each organisation per calendar year.'
7. Paragraph 7b of the current policy states 'The Rotary Club of Camberley and the Camberley and Frimley Lions may collect up to three calendar day's duration during the month of December.'
8. Representatives from the Surrey Border Lions have been in communication with Officers to advise that the Camberley and Frimley Lions have folded and that Surrey Border Lions have taken over all of their commitments and responsibilities for the future. Accordingly they have requested the number of days allocated to their charity specifically, be increased to 3 days annually (Annex 3).

### Recommendation

9. The Committee is requested to RESOLVE whether or not the number of days allocated to the Surrey Border Lions should be increased, and for the Street Collection Policy to be amended accordingly.

Background Papers: Current Street Collection Policy (Annex 2)  
Representation received – Surrey Border Lions (Annex 3)

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