ITEM 15b

163/05 Best Value Review of Markets Update

The Council Cabinet considered a report from the Culture and Prosperity Commission setting out recommendations arising from consideration of an update report on progress made against the recommendations in the 2001 Best Value Review of Markets. The Commission made the following recommendations:

- that ways be found to either reduce or recycle other waste materials produced by the markets, including plastics, glass and polystyrene
- that all year round provision is made to collect compostable waste which would allow the markets to compost all its vegetable, flower and straw waste
- that external signage to Derby's markets is improved and that this is included in the city centre signage strategy
- that stall holders are discouraged from allowing goods to encroach into the aisles as this has a detrimental effect on the access to the market by disabled users
- that a rolling programme is developed to ensure minor maintenance to Markets buildings is carried out more frequently. In the longer term it is recommended that consideration should be given to resurfacing work at the Cattle Market and the Wholesale Market and to re-wiring the Wholesale Market

The Council Cabinet considered a report from the Director of Corporate Services responding to the issues raised by the Commission.

Decision

- 1. To note the report.
- 2. To ask the Commission to consider if it would wish to carry out a review on a specific aspect of Derby's Markets as part of its 2005/06 work plan, such as ways of encouraging younger people to use the markets.