



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

AREA PANEL 2
15 JUNE 2005

Report of the Director of Corporate Services

ITEM 6g

Petition – Save (Our) Allenton Market

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 A petition was received in March this year opposing the closure or replacement of Allenton Market. The petition, which had 748 signatures, stated...

“For the attention of Derby City Councillors,

Any future plans to close or replace Allenton Market would rob Derby of one of its last remaining heritage sites.

This open air market has been the hub of many communities, and has served them well for over 50 years. Therefore we the undersigned request that Derby City Council strive to promote and invest in our market and allow it to continue providing an excellent community service.”

- 1.2 The Council has been approached by a developer who is seeking to assemble a site for a potential retail superstore. As landowner of the market the Council has the ability to consider whether or not to include the market in any such development site and on what basis. The Council has no plans of its own to close Allenton Market.
- 1.3 It is accepted that Allenton Market currently provides an important retail function to the local community. In preliminary discussions held with the developer, it has been made clear that, if the council were to consider including the site of the market in any future redevelopment, a replacement market must be provided within that redevelopment. The Council would need to be satisfied as to the size and location of any replacement facility. There would be discussion with the current tenants and users on these issues before any final agreement is made.
- 1.4 The developer has been asked to come back to the Council with a proposal that addresses these issues. No such proposal has yet been made. It will be reported to Ward Members and Cabinet following receipt.

RECOMMENDATION

2. To note the approach from the developer and that details of the proposals, including a replacement of the market, are awaited.

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Background papers: None
List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Petition – opposing the closure or replacement of Allenton Market