



Street Traders Policy

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Category:	Safety and Community
Relevant Community Plan Outcome:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide accessible social infrastructure and services that engage our diverse community. • An urban environment that is adaptive to a changing and growing City. • Create valued urban places that bring people together and reflect local character and identity. • Support and enable local business prosperity and growth. • Be bold and innovative in our practices, leadership and decision making.
Responsible Officer(s):	Manager Public Health and Safety
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Applicable Legislation:	Local Government Act 1999 Development Act 1993 Council By-laws
Related Policies:	Development Plan Fees and Charges Register Enforcement Policy Use of Public Reserves for Commercial Fitness Activities
Related Procedures:	Street Traders Assessment Procedure Draft Precinct Event and Pop Up Procedures for Henley Square and Environs Street Trader Guidelines (Location Rules)

1. Purpose

The City of Charles Sturt recognises the legitimate practice of vending certain products and services from public areas within the City. However, it also acknowledges the need to regulate (via a permit) the types and quantity of vending that will occur.

This policy aims to ensure an appropriate balance is reached between the interests of the Council, local business operators, vending permit holders and the residents of the City of Charles Sturt.

It is recognised that the approval process for issuing permits will consider the opportunity to enhance, add interest and enhance the vibrancy of the Council area. Permits may not be issued where a conflict of commercial interest will occur to a permanent business in the immediate vicinity of the proposed activity.

2. Scope

Street traders covered within the scope of this policy include all temporary, stationary or mobile food vendors, commercial activities and fitness groups.

3. Policy Statement

The City of Charles Sturt provides Six (6) types of Street Trading or Mobile Vending permits that may be issued to accommodate the various vendors that may wish to operate within the City as identified below

- (a) Mobile Vending Permits (Food Trucks)
Mobile Vending Permit holders may trade at any of the approved food truck locations. Permits are issued on a monthly or annual basis.
- (b) Ice-Cream/Ice-Confection Hand-Cart Foreshore Vending
The City of Charles Sturt's foreshore area is divided into 4 geographical areas (refer map for specific areas) for the purpose of issuing vending permits. To be equitable we will only allow one of each food variety to be given a vending permit per area.
- (c) Ice-Cream Food Van Vending
The City of Charles Sturt is divided into 4 geographical sections (refer map for specific areas) for the purpose of issuing Ice-Cream vending permits. A maximum of 3 food vending permits may be issued for each section. These vans only stop to trade as hailed by customers and primarily service residential homes.
- (d) Event Vending
Permits issued for approved events or as part of fundraising activities and pop ups are not included in the maximum numbers of permits that can be issued for each section and area of the City. Event Vending requires the consent of the event organiser and is permitted only at the site, date and time of the event.
- (e) Commercial Activities (see definitions section 4)
There is no specific limit on the number of commercial activity permits to be issued within the City of Charles Sturt. Consideration will be given to the applicant's ability to align with the purpose of this Policy and in particular the proposed activities enhancement to the vibrancy of the Council area and ensuring it does not conflict with the commercial interest of any permanent business in the immediate vicinity. Commercial Activities, including Pop-Ups are generally short term in nature and may be approved as part of an event.

For all stationary land based sellers all applications will be assessed against the principles in the Development Plan relating to retail development.

- (f) Fitness Groups
Applications for fitness group permits will be assessed in accordance with Council's 'Use of Public Reserves for Commercial Fitness Activities Policy'. Specifically Section 3.5 of this Policy describes the 'permit allocation' assessment process.

Period of Validity

Food Vending Permits may be issued on either a monthly or annual basis.

Event Food Vending may be issued on a daily or annual basis.

Commercial Activities may be issued on a daily basis or annual basis.

Fitness Group or Personal Training Permits may be issued on an annual basis.

Fee

A minimum annual fee for the issue of Street Trading and Vending Permits are set and reviewed each year by Council - refer to Fees and Charges Register.

4. Definitions

Food Vending means the preparation, packaging, serving and sale of items from a food vending vehicle or cart. Items may include food, ice-cream, drink products etc. (refer map for specific areas)

Pop Up :

A business that occurs as a one off or temporary occasion at an approved location and is removable by nature.

Commercial Activity:

A business conducted in the public realm that provides a service for a financial gain for eg. the provision of goods and services. Ie; Sun Safe Spray Tans, Selling of "Big Issue" paper and flower sellers.

Fitness Groups Activities conducted by:

- Personal trainers and/or other health and fitness related professionals including by not limited to group fitness instructors, yoga and pilates' instructors, etc. who instruct health and fitness activities or provide health and fitness services to one or more clients/people;
- Individual persons who instruct health and fitness activities or provide health and fitness services to one or more clients/people; where a fee is charged.

