Appendix B

DRAFT Environmental Policy statement – Lincoln Christmas Market

The City of Lincoln Council are committed to minimising their impact on the environment, building on work they are already doing, and will continue to work with our partners, contractors and traders to achieve this. This policy applies to the Lincoln Christmas Market (LCM) operations as well as to other events organised by the City of Lincoln council.

Aims

The following aims reflect the long-term strategic commitment that this policy is for the LCM. Progress towards achieving the aims in full will be incremental year on year, and managed through the LCM's detailed annual implementation plans.

- To comply with the requirements of environmental legislation and approved codes of practice
- To assess the environmental impact of current and likely future operations
- To continuously seek to improve environmental performance
- To reduce impacts, wherever possible, from pollution, emissions and waste
- To encourage more sustainable forms of transport
- To sustainably manage the use of all resources, energy, water and procurement
- To raise awareness, encourage participation and train employees in environmental matters
- To expect similar environmental standards from all suppliers and contractors
- To assist performers, stall holders and visitors to participate in the LCM in an environmentally-sensitive way

The CoLC's Corporate Management Team and senior management for the LCM will endorse this policy to demonstrate the council's commitment.

The LCM's implementation plan will:

- 1. prioritise specific actions to be undertaken over a given period to ensure that progress on achieving the policy aims is manageable;
- 2. include targets, performance indicators, monitoring and reporting arrangements and a communications plan;
- 3. include a timescale for reviewing and refreshing the plan.

The Council's events team will report on progress annually to the Council's Performance Scrutiny Committee.

The Council's events team and Climate Change Vision Group will review this policy together annually.