



# STOCKPORT

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## **CONDITIONS OF CONSENT TO CONDUCT A CAR BOOT SALE**

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council will exercise its discretion to grant consent for a car boot sale to be held subject to the applicant satisfying the following conditions:

1. The Organiser (hereinafter referred to as the Applicant), must apply for consent at least 28 days prior to the date of the sale. The application must also be signed by a duly authorised representative of the organisation on whose behalf the sale is to be held, which must either be a charity, a Parent/Teacher Group or a community based organisation.
2. A fee of £26.00 will be charged and is returnable with the completed application form. If consent is not granted the fee will be refundable.
3. The Applicant will ensure that any vendor who in their opinion, by the nature of the goods offered for sale, or their presentation, has the appearance of being in trade or business, is prohibited from the sale. Failure to prohibit such vendors, or remove them from the sale when requested to do so by a duly Authorised Officer of the Council may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further car boot sale for a period of 24 months.
4. The Applicant may allocate a selling area of up to a maximum of 8ft x 5ft (40 sq ft) in addition to the volume of the vendor's vehicle. The Applicant is responsible for ensuring this area is not exceeded, and the only type of display facility permitted within it will be a single paste table and clothing rail. Failure by the Applicant to ensure that vendors comply with these dimensions and display restrictions may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further car boot sale for a period of 24 months.
5. The Applicant is responsible for ensuring that seller's vehicles will not be allowed access to the site before 8.00am on the morning of the sale. Failure by the Applicant to ensure that this access is not abused may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further car boot sale for a period of 24 months.

6. The Applicant is responsible for ensuring that the maximum number of pitches available for vendors does not exceed 40, or such other number as may be approved at the discretion of the Corporate Director of Services to Place Directorate. For the number of pitches divide car park spaces by four (e.g. 100 car park spaces = 25 pitches).
7. It is the responsibility of the Applicant to ensure that the site of the sale and all adjoining roads are left in a clean and litter free condition on completion of the sale. Failure to do so may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further car boot sale for a period of 24 months. Additionally, any cost incurred by the Council in bringing the area up to an acceptable standard will be charged to the Applicant.
8. It shall be the responsibility of the Applicant to record the following information regarding vendors at the sale, name, address, vehicle registration number and type of goods offered for sale. The attached form is supplied for that purpose and will be available for inspection during the course of the sale by any duly Authorised Officer of the Council. That information will then be supplied to the Head of Environmental Health and Trading Standards, within 14 days after the completion of the sale. Failure to comply with any of these requirements may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further sale for a period of 24 months.
9. The entire proceeds derived from the sale (other than goods sold) must be applied to the Organisation on whose behalf consent has been granted. Only direct expenses such as the cost of the venue and advertising may be deducted. It shall be the responsibility of the Applicant to make a financial return to the Corporate Director of the Services to Place Directorate on the attached form within 14 days after the completion of the sale. Failure to do so may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further sale for a period of 24 months. No individual or company can derive any financial benefit from organising the sale.
10. The Applicant will take all reasonable precautions to prevent any noise or nuisance to the residents in the neighbourhood of the sale. Failure to do so may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further sale for a period of 24 months.
11. The Applicant will ensure that adequate car parking facilities are available for prospective purchasers, and that those parking areas are properly signposted.
12. The Applicant must ensure prior to the submission of an application for consent to hold a sale, that the intended site has planning permission for such use. Further information and advice may be obtained from the Licensing Officer, Services to Place Directorate, Environmental Health & Trading Standards, Fred Perry House, Edward Street, Stockport SK1 3XE.
13. The Applicant must ensure that any food offered for sale is only supplied by a person or business that is properly registered with their local authority under the Food Safety Act 1990.

14. The Applicant will ensure that no mains connected goods are offered for sale or supplied by vendors participating in the sale. Failure to comply with this condition may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further sale for a period of 24 months.
15. The Applicant will ensure that no new goods are offered for sale or supplied by vendors participating in the sale. Failure to comply with this condition may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further sale for a period of 24 months.
16. The Applicant will nominate sufficient persons to ensure compliance with the conditions of this consent, and whatever additional terms and conditions the Council may deem necessary to apply. Further, it shall be a requirement that a copy of these conditions be supplied to every vendor present at the sale. Failure to do may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further sale for a period of 24 months.
17. The holding of such an event, when consent has neither been granted nor applied for, will render the Organisation liable to legal action by the Council to prevent the sale taking place, and the Organiser may be refused consent to hold a further sale for a period of up to 36 months.
18. The Corporate Director of the Services to Place Directorate reserves the right to impose whatever further conditions are considered to be appropriate to protect the health and economic welfare of consumers, and prevent the conduct of such a sale constituting a nuisance to the residents of the area in which the Car Boot Sale is intended to be held. Failure to comply with these further conditions may result in the Applicant being refused consent to hold a further sale for a period of up to 24 months.
19. All advertising matter relating to the Car Boot Sale must include the following statement, 'Consent for this sale granted by Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council', or such similar wording as to clearly indicate that the Sale is being held with the full knowledge and consent of the Council, together with a clear statement of the Consent Number.
20. Any decision regarding the exercise of the penalties contained in these conditions against an Organisation or Organiser who has failed to fully comply with them in the past, is at the discretion of the Licensing Sub-Committee of the Services to Place Directorate Committee.