ENQUIRIES TO:

YOUR REF:

Len Kosova (9273 6002) Chief Executive Officer

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PR51032; PR51678; SC1206 D14/46419

14 January 2015

Ms Debbie Saunders 320 Oxford Street LEEDERVILLE WA 6007

Dear Ms Saunders Debble



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QUESTION TAKEN 'ON - NOTICE' AT THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 16 DECEMBER 2014

I refer to your address to the Council and the questions you asked at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 16 December 2014 concerning the above matter. Your questions were taken 'on-notice', as the information was unavailable at the time. The matter has now been researched and the following is advised:

Question 1. Why am I constantly being harassed by the City's Manager for Health and Compliance Services about my outdoor eating area and have been give a seven day notice that it will be removed, when the fact that my plans have been lost?

Response

With respect, the City is not seeking to harass you, but does have a legal obligation to ensure Outdoor Eating Area permits apply to all relevant businesses. Outdoor Eating Area permits are issued on a Financial Year basis from 1 July to 30 June. Businesses that have Outdoor Eating Area (OEA) permits are invited to renew their permits in July/August of each year.

In relation to the 50ML Café, you and I discussed this issue at length and in detail prior to Christmas and I understand City staff will be working with you to ensure the relevant permits are in place for your business.

Question 2. My plans are just a renewal I am not asking for a new alfresco area, it is just a straight renewal, which a fee is just paid for. In regards to having a new Policy, if you look under your Policies section it is the old Policy that is up there?

Response

Each year, businesses are required to pay both an Outdoor Eating Area 'Renewal' fee and a 'Floor area charge per square metre' (or 'charge per chair' prior to 2014/15) for the use of the City's foopath areas as adopted in the City of Vincent's Annual Budget 'Fees and Charges Schedule'.

The Outdoor Eating Area Policy No.3.8.1 on the City's website is the current version.

I trust the above is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Len Kosova

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER