

Self-assessment checklist

Can you answer yes , yes, yes.....?

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| Have you identified a potential site? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Are you willing to consider alternative sites? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Are you willing to talk with the people who live in the area where you want to run the farmers market? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Have you identified a person who would be the primary contact for this project? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Do you have an organised group of people to work on this project with? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Does your group have public liability insurance for \$10,000,000 or can you get another group who has insurance to auspice you? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Are you willing to enter into a formal agreement with Council? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Are you willing to report your progress to Council annually? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Do you have an understanding of risk management? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Do you have an idea of what it is you would like to see sold at the market? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Are you willing to consider additional stall holders from outside the local area? | <input type="radio"/> |
| Will you promote that the farmers market sells organically produced food? | <input type="radio"/> |

You are well on your way

If you keen to find out what other communities are doing in relation to Farmers Markets—you might like to check out these websites

Australian Farmers Market Association.

<http://www.farmersmarkets.org.au/>

Victorian Farmers Market Association

<http://www.vicfarmersmarkets.org.au/>

The co-ordinators of the local farmers market may also be really great to talk to. They can tell you about how they got their Farmers Market established, the barriers and the successes.

Kyogle Farmers Market.

Saturday mornings from 8am. Stratheden Street. Kyogle.

Ph. *****



Kyogle Council

FARMERS MARKET INFO SHEET

*Talking to Council about setting up a
Farmers Market*



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Farmers Market Policy

Council has adopted a Farmers Market Policy and has made some decisions about how Farmers Markets will be managed in the Kyogle Local Government area.

Council has a strong commitment to the production and supply of safe food to all consumers in the community.

Council will determine through its Local Environmental Plan zonings which:

- allow farmers markets with development consent (i.e. require the submission of a development application) or approvals (requires a formal application and compliance with a set of conditions).
- prohibit farmers markets.



Council requires a formal application and approvals process to allow farmers markets to occur to ensure suitable locations are utilised, pedestrian movement is maintained, waste is managed appropriately and the retail sector is supported.

All proponents will have public liability cover of \$10,000,000 or be auspiced by an organisation with public liability cover of \$10,000,000.

WHAT IS A FARMERS MARKET?

Farmers markets allow consumers to access fresh, locally produced food products direct from the grower.

Farmers markets contribute to :

- local economic growth
- food security
- food and nutrition education
- the economic, social and health capital of the host community.
- business incubation
- preserve farmland and sustainable agriculture
- the consumption of fresh, locally produced food
- promote cultural diversity through food
- shorten food miles

FARMERS MARKET POLICY CONT..

Farmers markets will generally run for 3-4 hours and all temporary infrastructure will need to be removed and the site returned to its original state at the conclusion of the market.



Council reserves the right to conduct inspections to ensure that all stallholders are registered with the NSW Food Authority (a free on-line form is available at www.foodnotify.nsw.gov.au. A helpline has been established for further assistance on 1300 650 124).

If Council considers a stall to be non compliant it is the farmers market organisers responsibility to ensure the

stallholder ceases trade immediately.

Farmers market infrastructure must not interfere with overhead or underground services.

Itinerant food vendors and mobile food vehicles need to ensure they have all appropriate licences from Council as per the Food Act 1993.

Council requires that **all** foodstalls selling “potentially hazardous foods” submit a *Food Safety Plan*.



Where a farmers market is to be operated on land classified as community land or other public land that is in the care and control of Council it is desirable that the revenue from the operation of the farmers markets be used to cover the cost of operating the markets, maintenance of the market site and any remaining profits are returned to the community.

Council may impose restrictions on smoking in public areas, including those used for farmers markets.

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