For the attention of: CLITHEROE TOWN CENTRE BUSINESSES

To whom it may concern,

RE: CLITHEROE MARKET REDEVELOPMENT CONSULTATION 2016

Local town centre businesses and market traders are invited to attend an open workshop meeting to discuss the Clitheroe Market redevelopment area proposals, as part of the Councils’ engagement process.

The event will take place on Thursday 24th November 2016 at 6pm in the Ribble Valley Council Chambers, Church Street, Clitheroe BB7 2DD and is expected to last between 1 - 2 hours.

Your views are very important and will be used to help us understand what local businesses and traders think of the proposals and express any additional comments.

Some illustrations, as well as set of frequently asked questions are enclosed with this letter and more information on these and the redevelopment proposals can be found at www.ribblevalley.gov.uk where copies of both public and business surveys can also be completed online as appropriate.

Yours sincerely,

Craig Matthews

Ribble Valley Borough Council
Q. What are the proposals?
A. The aim is to retain a strong and viable market, with new retail and leisure uses bringing additional quality operators, giving a new lease of life and enhancing the future vitality of Clitheroe town centre.

Q. Why is this being proposed?
A. A number of national retail and leisure brands have already identified Clitheroe as a desired location to accommodate their future expansion needs, and we need to plan for this. The economy of Clitheroe and the Ribble Valley is changing and many future challenges will need to be addressed in order to meet future demands, including the area’s tourism and leisure growth, competition from other town centre and retail destinations throughout the region and increasing spend in the town centre.

Q. How will this be paid for?
A. Funding to deliver the £8 Million scheme will be from the private sector. It is not from the Council or public money that would otherwise have been spent on providing public services.

Q. Will there be space on site for additional activities and events?
A. Yes. The site is flexible and will allow space for a regular programme of events and festivals, including for example, the Clitheroe Food Festival.

Q. How can I voice my views on the proposals?
A. To ensure that we get the right scheme for Clitheroe, Ribble Valley Borough Council is undertaking a wide reaching engagement programme prior to detailed plans being brought forward for consideration. Surveys will be available at the council offices and online and will also be sent to town centre businesses, emailed out to citizens’ panel members and a postal survey will be sent randomly to 2000 households. This will also be backed up with street interviews around the town centre.

PLEASE NOTE: More details and survey questionnaires can be accessed online at:-
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