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|  | AGENDA ITEM NO. |
| Report Cover Sheet | |
| Name of Meeting: | Regulatory Committee |
| Date of Meeting: | 12th November 2007 |
| Report Title: | Street Collections |
| Summary of report: | To decide on whether to allow a collection by a body that two spokespersons would not like to permit |
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| Business Unit: | Members' Services |
| Would the recommended decision be contrary to the policy framework: | No |
| Would the recommended decision be contrary to the budgetary framework: | No |
| Wards of the District directly affected by this decision: | All areas |
| Key Decision? | No |
| Included within the Forward Plan? | No |
| Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 | No |
| Date and name of meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number: | Not applicable |
| Background Papers: | None |

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| Consultation Undertaken | | |
| Below is a table of the Council's regular consultees. However not all have to be consulted on every matter and if there was no obligation to consult with a specific consultee they will be marked as n/a. | | |
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| Consultees | Yes/ No | Who |
| Other Committees | | |
| Ward Councillors | | |
| Portfolio Holders | Yes | Councillor Kinson |
| Other Councillors | | |
| Warwick District Council recognised Trades Unions | | |
| Other Warwick District Council Service Areas | | |
| Project partners | | |
| Parish/Town Council | | |
| Highways Authority | | |
| Residents | | |
| Citizens Panel | | |
| Other consultees | | |
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| Officer Approval | | |
| With regard to officer approval all reports must be approved by the report authors relevant director, Finance Services and Legal Services. | | |
| Officer Approval | Date | Name |
| Relevant Director(s) | 23/10/2007 | Robert Inman |
| Chief Executive | | |
| CMT | | |
| Section 151 Officer | | |
| Legal | 23/10/2007 | Simon Best |
| Finance | 23/10/2007 | Marcus Miskinis |
| Final Decision? | Yes | |
| Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below) | | |
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1. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 1.1 The application from Uncaged Campaigns for a street collection in 2008 either be approved or rejected;
- 1.2 If the Committee reject the application, it this for 2008 only, or all future applications for street collections; and
- 1.3 The scheme of delegation be amended to give the Licensing Services Manager delegated authority to:
 - (1) issue street collection permits; and
 - (2) refuse applications, where necessary, in conjunction with the spokespersons.

2. **REASON(S) FOR THE RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 2.1 At its meeting in July, the Regulatory Committee gave the Licensing Services Manager delegated authority to issue street collection permits.
- 2.2 A number of applications from charities have been received for street collections in 2008 and are currently being processed. However, an application has been received from an organisation called Uncaged Campaigns - End Vivisection. The organisation is not a registered charity, but is a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee. The application is attached at appendix A, to the report.
- 2.3 As this organisation supports a contentious issue, officers thought it appropriate to consult the Regulatory Committee Spokespersons (Councillors Crowther, Mrs Falp, Mrs Goode and Mrs Mellor). Two have responded that they are not in favour of it proceeding. Officers have no delegated authority to refuse the collection themselves, so a decision by the Regulatory Committee as to whether to approve or reject the application is required. A copy of the street collection regulations are attached at appendix B.
- 2.3 To prevent a future contentious event having to be referred to the Regulatory Committee, it is suggested that the present scheme of delegation be amended from:

"1. The Licensing Services Manager be given delegated authority to issue street collection permits;" to,

"1. The Licensing Services Manager be given delegated authority to issue street collection permits, and to refuse applications, when necessary, in conjunction with the spokespersons."

3. **ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S) CONSIDERED**

- 3.1 None

4. **BUDGETARY FRAMEWORK**

- 4.1 None

5. **POLICY FRAMEWORK**

5.1 A change in the scheme of delegation is suggested.