



Lyttelton Farmers Market

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Who is Project Port Lyttelton?

Project Port Lyttelton is the community group behind the market. Our organisation is Lyttelton based and has been operating since 1994. In 2003 the group was revitalized and a community vision was created for Lyttelton that guides what our organisation does.

“Lyttelton: Portal to Canterbury’s historic past, a vibrant sustainable community creating a living future”.

Projects are undertaken if they fall under this vision. The Market is only one of many projects we are involved with. The Lyttelton Community Garden is run by us, we write the Lyttelton News in the Akaroa Mail, organise sustainability courses, established the Torpedo Boat Museum, developed the Lyttelton walking and town signage program, developed a Time Bank and the Community Angel program, help organise township community festivals and so the list goes on.

The Farmers Market is important to us for several reasons. First we are encouraging people to buy locally and support their local community, we are educating people about food and waste and lastly the market will eventually be a source of funds for us to support the other programmes that we run. We administer the market via a small committee of our members.

Would you like to have a vendor representative on the committee?

Stall price increase

The market has been operating six months. As indicated in our first newsletter the time has come for us to increase the stallholder fees.

Project Port Lyttelton has not made any money from the market to date. To make the venture more sustainable for us we are proposing to increase stall fees.

- \$30 **per vendor** from April 2nd.
- Shared sites are still available but each vendor will pay the full fee.
- Vendors who have extra large sites will be charged at double rate.
- Stallholders who require power will be charged \$35.

So you get an indication of our costs, market organizers are now paying Lyttelton Main School a site fee for hosting the market. Previously this was free. We paid \$1000 to have power access at the school, pay weekly advertising and music costs plus other bits and pieces. If you have concerns please let us know.

Rubbish

Do you realise that market organizers take the rubbish home with us and dispose through the local rubbish collection? Whilst we are taking some recyclables or compostable material to the Community Garden the remainder is going to land fill. If you can't operate without rubbish please bring your own bin. After this Saturday we will only be collecting compostable or recyclable materials. Have a chat to an organizer if you require more help with this.

A request from the school, please place a tray or cover under your stall if you are going to leave grease marks on the playground.

If you can't make it

If you aren't going to be able to attend the market please either notify the person who collects the stall fees or call no later than Friday evening. Phone Sue-Ellen 328 9260.

Don't forget all market information is now available on the web site.

www.lytteltonfarmersmarket.co.nz

For feedback or queries you might have contact us on the day, phone Sue-Ellen on 328 9260 or email

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Thanks for being part of the Lyttelton Farmers' Market.