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**Busking Code of Conduct for St Peter's Street, St Albans
(Non-market days)**

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This Code is intended to set out a standard which should enable busking to thrive, whilst protecting businesses and residents from excessive noise or prolonged exposure to the same performances. For the purposes of this Code of Conduct we consider busking to be defined as street entertainment including, but not limited to, singing, playing music, fire eating, juggling.

You are reminded that you cannot sell merchandise (e.g. CDs, posters, etc.) without a street trading consent.

Buskers are asked to follow the guidance set out in this code of conduct when performing in St Albans District:

1. You are not permitted to play your music or use your voice at a level above the ambient street noise.
2. Please do not set up a pitch within 50 metres of another busker.
3. Please do not set up a pitch close to fire exits, cashpoints or doorways of businesses or other premises.
4. You should reduce the volume of your performance if asked to do so by an authorised officer of the Council.
5. You are not permitted to actively collect money, but you may collect donations from members of the public donating through a donation box (hat or musical instrument case) or by contactless payment donations.
6. Please do not use street furniture such as public seating, lampposts, planters, railings etc.
7. Busking and entertainment should normally only take place between 10.00am and 5.00pm, with performances of approx. 20 minutes, followed by a 10-minute break, over a maximum of 3 hours with no return to the same place within 3 hours.