

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE

**MEETING HELD AT THE COMMITTEE ROOM - BOOTLE TOWN HALL,
TRINITY ROAD, BOOTLE, L20 7AE
ON MONDAY 9TH JANUARY, 2023**

PRESENT: Councillor John Kelly (in the Chair)
Councillors Waterfield, Bradshaw, June Burns,
Corcoran, D'Albuquerque, Hardman, Sonya Kelly,
Lloyd-Johnson, Morris, Thomas, Anne Thompson
and Lynne Thompson

52. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor O'Brien.

53. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interests or personal interests were received.

54. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2022 be confirmed as a correct record.

55. APPROVAL OF PREMISES FOR THE CONDUCT OF MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Legal and Democratic Officer requesting approval for the licensing of rooms at the Grand Lord Street Southport and the Lake House, Crosby Coastal Park, the Esplanade, off Cambridge Road, Waterloo, in order to increase the number of venues within Sefton for couples to be able to have a greater choice for their civil marriage or civil partnership.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the designated rooms at the Grand, Lord Street Southport (Princess Grace Suite) be licensed for civil marriage and civil partnership for a five-year period; and
- (2) the designated rooms at the Lake House, Crosby Coastal Park, the Esplanade, off Cambridge Road Waterloo (Kitchen and Restaurant, Lake View 1,2 and 3, Lakehouse Suite, The Deck) be licensed for civil marriage and civil partnership for a five-year period.

56. DRAFT REVISED STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY – LICENSING ACT 2003

The Committee considered the report of the Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection) which sought Members' comments on the draft revised Statement of Licensing Policy and advised Members of the proposals for consultation on the draft revised document.

RESOLVED: That

The actions being taken to progress the revision of the Statement of Licensing Policy be noted and endorsed.

57. DETERMINATIONS MADE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003 AND THE GAMBLING ACT 2005: PERIOD COVERING 13 AUGUST 2022 TO 9 DECEMBER 2022

The Committee considered the report of the Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection) which provided an update on applications made under the Licensing Act, 2003 and the Gambling Act, 2005 which had been determined by Licensing Officers.

The report indicated that Sefton Council's Statement of Licensing Policy (issued under the Licensing Act 2003) and the Statement of Gambling Policy (issued under the Gambling Act 2005), both followed the recommended delegation of functions contained within the Guidance, issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Guidance issued under Section 25 of the Gambling Act 2005. Where there were no relevant representations to applications, then these matters would be dealt with by Officers in order to speed matters through the system. The Guidance also recommended that where powers had been delegated, the Committee would receive regular reports on decisions made by Officers in order to maintain an overview of the general licensing situation.

The report indicated that during the period 13 August 2022 to 9 December 2022 the Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection) had received and determined the following numbers of applications:

Under the Licensing Act 2003:

- 100 Applications made under Premises Licences
- 41 Applications made under Personal Licences
- 73 Notifications of Temporary Event Notices
- 36 Notifications of Late Temporary Event Notices

Under the Gambling Act 2005:

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- 4 Applications made under Gambling Premises Licences
- 3 Applications made under Licensed Premises Gaming Permits
- 1 Notification given for Licensed Premises Automatic Gaming.

RESOLVED:

That the report and the fact that further update reports would be submitted as necessary, be noted.