

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE

**MEETING HELD AT THE COMMITTEE ROOM - BOOTLE TOWN HALL,
TRINITY ROAD, BOOTLE, L20 7AE
ON 8 JANUARY 2024**

PRESENT: Councillor John Kelly (in the Chair)
Councillor Waterfield (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Bradshaw, Harrison-Kelly, Sonya Kelly,
Lloyd-Johnson, Morris, O'Brien, Spencer, Thomas
and Lynne Thompson

24. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Carragher,
Corcoran, Hardman, and Anne Thompson.

25. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

26. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2023 be confirmed
as a correct record.

**27. CHURCH GARDENS, BOOTLE – PROPOSED RESIDENTS’
PARKING SCHEME**

The Committee considered the report of the Assistant Director of Place
(Highways and Public Protection) which reported on the results of a
consultation with residents of the Church Gardens area of Bootle and to
recommend the removal of the residents’ parking scheme from the current
works programme.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the results of the consultation be noted; and
- (2) the proposed Residents’ parking scheme for the Church Gardens
area of Bootle be not progressed.

28. PRESCOT ROAD, TRAFFIC CALMING, MELLING

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The Committee considered the report of the Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection) which sought Committee approval to implement a traffic calming scheme on Prescott Road in Melling, extending north from the roundabout junction with Bank Lane with the aim of reducing vehicle speeds making the road safer for all users.

Members of the Committee asked questions/raised matters on the following issues:

- What type of speed humps would be used?
- Would the implementation of a speed camera be an option?
- Have Merseyside police done radar work on Prescott Road?

RESOLVED:

That the Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection) be authorised to implement the following modifications to the Highway:

- (1) The introduction of a traffic calming scheme on Prescott Road in Melling north of the roundabout junction with Bank Lane.

29. REVISED LICENSED DRIVER CONVICTIONS POLICY

The Committee considered the report of the Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection) which requested approval for the suggested changes to the driver convictions policy in line with national statutory standards.

The Committee expressed concern that the policy may be altered following approval and requested an updated policy, complete with alterations, be brought to the next meeting of the Committee.

RESOLVED:

That the decision be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee on 11 March 2024.

30. DETERMINATIONS MADE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003 AND THE GAMBLING ACT 2005: PERIOD COVERING 24 AUGUST 2023 TO 18 DECEMBER 2023

The Committee considered the report of the Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection) updating 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,

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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 24 August 2023 to 18 December 2023 the Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection) had received and determined the following numbers of applications:

Under the Licensing Act 2003:

- 103 Applications made under Premise Licences
- 48 Applications made under Personal Licences
- 105 Notifications of Temporary Event Notices
- 46 Notifications of Late Temporary Event Notices

Under the Gambling Act 2005:

- 1 Application made under Club Gaming Permits

RESOLVED:

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