

**LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

**MEETING HELD AS A REMOTE MEETING  
ON MONDAY 15TH MARCH, 2021**

PRESENT: Councillor John Kelly (in the Chair)  
Councillors O'Brien, Bradshaw, Carragher, Dodd,  
Friel, Halsall, Keith, McGinnity, Morris, Spencer,  
Anne Thompson, Lynne Thompson and Tweed

**23. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Gannon.

**24. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

**25. MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.

**26. APPROVED PREMISES FOR MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS**

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Legal and Democratic Officer which sought approval to extend the room area of the Marine Suite at the Bliss Hotel Southport to include the area of the dome window and to change the name of the Marine Suite to ROOM.

A previous application had been approved by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020. However, due to officer error in not advertising the change on the Sefton MBC website, the correct procedure had not been followed to enable the alteration to the licence.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) approval be given for the Marine Suite name to be changed to ROOM and the area extended to include the dome window area, to the current licence for the Bliss Hotel, Southport; and
- (2) it be noted that this is a new licence which will expire on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026, at which time it will need to be renewed.

**27. GREAT GEORGES ROAD WALKING AND CYCLING IMPROVEMENTS  
- CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS TO TRAFFIC REGULATION  
ORDERS**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Highways and Public Protection which sought to advise Members of the results of the recent consultation with residents regarding the proposed parking restrictions and one-way traffic proposals as part of the Great Georges Road Walking and Cycling Improvement Scheme.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) objections received to the recently published Traffic Regulation orders be noted;
- (2) the introduction of the 'Great Georges Road, Prince Street, York Street, Bath Street and Wilmer Road, Waterloo (On Street Parking Places, Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and (One-Way Traffic) Orders 2021' be approved and the Chief Legal and Democratic Officer be authorised to make the order; and
- (3) the Head of Highways Public Protection be requested to review potential alternative layouts for the section of the scheme at the western end of Great Georges Road to take into consideration objections related to loss of parking and other issues.

**28. PROPOSED PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER - DOG  
CONTROL**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Highways and Public Protection which presented the draft Public Spaces Protection Order – Dog Control (PSPO) under the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 for consideration. The report also sought to provide information concerning dog control and an overview of the public consultation on proposed additional dog control measures through a proposed new Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO).

RESOLVED:

That Council be requested to give its approval for the proposed Public Spaces Protection Order – Dog Control as detailed below:

The following requirements / restrictions previously contained within the Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council Public Spaces Protection Order – Dog Control 2017 (PSPO – dog control 2017) be included within the proposed new Public Spaces Protection Order.

- i Offence of not removing dog's fouling forthwith;

- ii Restrict the number of dogs that can be walked by one person to maximum of 6;
- iii Prohibit dogs from entering enclosed playgrounds;
- iv Prohibit dogs from entering marked or fenced sports pitches during specified periods (Football or Rugby pitches from 01 September to 31<sup>st</sup> May inclusive and Cricket pitches from 01 April to 30<sup>th</sup> September inclusive);
- v Dogs to be kept on a lead of not more than 2.0 metres in length within defined picnic sites and family areas;
- vi Dogs to be kept on a lead of not more than 2.0 metres in length within all designated carriageways (A & B classified roads) and adjoining footways and verges;
- vii Dogs to be kept on a lead of not more than 2.0 metres in length within all cemeteries and crematoria; and
- viii Dogs to be placed on a lead of not more than 2.0 metres in length when directed by an authorised officer to prevent a nuisance or behaviour likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to the public.

**29. DETERMINATIONS MADE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003 AND THE GAMBLING ACT 2005: PERIOD COVERING 4 DECEMBER 2020 TO 18 FEBRUARY 2021**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of 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 issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Guidance issue under Section 25 of the Gambling Act 2005. Where there are 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.

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The report indicated that during the period 4 December 2020 to 18 February 2021 the Head of Highways and Public Protection had received and determined the following numbers of applications:

Under the Licensing Act 2003:

- 53 Applications made under Premise Licences
- 2 Applications made under Club Premise Certificates
- 15 Applications made under Personal Licences
- 10 Notifications of Temporary Event Notices
- 8 Notifications of Late Temporary Event Notices

Under the Gambling Act 2005:

- 1 Application made under Club Gaming Permits

Details of the determinations were indicated in annexes 1 and 2 of the report.

RESOLVED:

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