

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION

**NAME OF PREMISES: SIMPLY FOOD AND DRINKS,
 WELLINGTON ROAD, OXTON**

NAME OF APPLICANT: MERSEYSIDE POLICE

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider an application for the review of a Premises Licence under the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003.

2.0 RELEVANT BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Simply Food and Drinks currently has a Premises Licence to allow the following Licensable Activities:

Supply of Alcohol

Monday to Saturday	08:00 to 23:00
Sunday	10:00 to 22:30

Non-Standard Timings

Good Friday	08:00 to 22:30
Christmas Day	12:00 to 15:00 and 19:00 to 22:30

- 2.2 A copy of the Premises Licence setting out the above hours and conditions attached to the licence is available.
- 2.3 The Licensing Act 2003 Sub-Committee may, having regard to the application for review and any relevant representations, take such of the following steps as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives:
- Modify the Licence conditions (permanently or for a temporary period of up to 3 months).
 - Exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the Licence (permanently or for a temporary period of up to 3 months).
 - Remove the Designated Premises Supervisor (if applicable).
 - Suspend the Licence for a period not more than 3 months.
 - Revoke the Licence.

The licensing authority may decide that no action is necessary if it finds that the review does not require it to take any steps necessary to promote the licensing objectives.

3.0 APPLICATION

- 3.1 An application has been received from Merseyside Police to review the Premises Licence for the premises known as Simply Food and Drinks, 24B Wellington Road, Oxtan. The Licensing Sergeant has advised that the grounds for review are in relation to the prevention of crime and disorder and the protection of children from harm following underage sales taking place at the premises.
- 3.2 Further information to support the above grounds for review is included within the application and supporting documents which are available.

4.0 RELEVANT REPRESENTATIONS

- 4.1 Trading Standards have made a representation in support of the application by Merseyside Police which relates to the protection of children from harm. A copy of the representation is available.
- 4.2 There have been no representations received from Interested Parties or from the following Responsible Authorities:

Wirral Area Child Protection Committee
Environmental Health
Fire Authority
Planning Authority

5.0 FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no financial implications and my existing Licensing staff will deal with this application.

6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are none arising from this report.

7.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are none arising directly from this report.

8.0 LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 The premises are located in the Oxtan Ward.

9.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Article 6 and Article 1 of the First Protocol which is concerned with the protection of property is most likely to have a particular impact.

10.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 Effective control of Licensing Legislation can assist in raising standards and improve the perception of community safety.

11.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 There are no planning implications arising from this report.

12.0 **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 12.1 Application form applying to review a Premises Licence.
- 12.2 Operating Schedule relating to the Premises Licence for Simply Food and Drinks.
- 12.3 Representation received from Trading Standards.

13.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 13.1 The Licensing Act 2003 Sub-Committee are asked to consider the application for the review of a Premises Licence in respect of the above premises.

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