WIRRAL COUNCIL

LICENSING ACT 2003 COMMITTEE LICENSING ACT 2003 SUB-COMMITTEE – 2 JULY 2010

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW, HR AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

NAME OF PREMISES: HIGH SOCIETY, ARGYLE STREET, BIRKENHEAD

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 High Society currently has a Premises Licence to allow the following Licensable Activities:

# **Supply of Alcohol**

Sunday to Saturday 10:00 to 04:00

# **Hours Open to the Public**

Sunday to Saturday 10:00 to 04:00

## Regulated Entertainment (Recorded Music and Anything of a Similar Description)

Sunday to Saturday 10:00 to 04:00

# Entertainment Facilities (Facilities for Making Music, Dancing and Anything of a Similar Description)

Sunday to Saturday 10:00 to 04:00

## **Late Night Refreshment**

Sunday to Saturday 23:00 to 04:00

- 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 Conditions of the Licence.
  - Exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the Licence.
  - Remove the Designated Premises Supervisor.

- Suspend the Licence for a period not exceeding three 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 High Society. Merseyside Police have advised that the grounds for review are in relation to the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the prevention of public nuisance following a number of incidents that have occurred at the premises involving both Door Supervisors and customers of the premises.
- 3.2 Further information to support the above grounds for review is included within the application which is available.
- 3.3 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 Trading Standards

#### 4.0 FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

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

## 5.0 **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are none arising from this report.

#### 6.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are none arising directly from this report.

# 7.0 LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The premises are located in the Birkenhead and Tranmere Ward.

#### 8.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

8.1 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.

#### 9.0 **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

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

# 10.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

10.1 The are no planning implications arising from this report.

#### 11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 Application form applying to review a Premises Licence.

## 12.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

12.1 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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