

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

REPORT TO: Regulatory Committee

DATE: 26 September 2005

REPORTING OFFICER: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: Application to vary premises licence – The Wellington Inn Prescot Road Widnes

WARDS: Broadheath

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To hold a hearing to assess relevant representations made in response to an application in respect of The Wellington Inn Prescot Road Widnes.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the Committee considers the relevant representations

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 An application has been made under section 34 Licensing Act 2003 (“the 2003 Act”) as applied by Schedule 8 paragraph 7 for the variation of the premises licence in relation to the above property.

3.2 This hearing is held in accordance with the 2003 Act and the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

3.3 The procedure to be followed has been circulated to all parties and will be repeated at the beginning of the hearing.

3.4 The hearing is solely concerned with those aspects of the application which have been the subject of relevant representations as defined in the 2003 Act.

4.0 RELEVANT REPRESENTATIONS

4.1 RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

- The following responsible authorities have made relevant representations
Environmental Health

The relevant representations relate to
Environmental Health would not object to the application subject to the following conditions

- All regulated entertainment shall be inaudible at the nearest noise sensitive property after 23.00 hrs
- The use of any outside area shall cease at 23.20 hrs
- No external speakers shall be used outside the building this will include any beer gardens or outside drinking area or car park.
- No further extensions to the hours for regulated entertainment service of alcohol or opening hours shall be permitted.
- All doors and windows shall be kept closed at all time when regulated entertainment is taking place.

4.2 INTERESTED PARTIES

- The following interested parties have made relevant representations
S & M Hughes 6 Prescott Road Widnes
Mr & Mrs Oliver 31 Prescott Road Widnes plus 50 name/address petition
E Z & A Farthman 19 Prescott Road Widnes

The relevant representations relate to

- If premises opening hours extended this would cause even more noise and disturbance to local residents than currently endured.
- Longer hours would have an adverse effect on the quality of local residents lives.
- Local residents currently experience violence swearing in loud voices, vomiting, urinating, damage to property and a number of drink related road incidents from patrons leaving the premises .
- Local residents are aware that the current problems will still exist even if extension is not granted but if the extension is granted the above incidents will move from late evening into the early hours of the morning and totally destroy what little peace residents enjoy at present.
- Young underage drinkers are regularly served on the premises
- Devaluation of residential property in the area of the premises.

5.0 OPTIONS

5.1 The Committee has the following options:

- Grant subject to conditions
- Reject the application.

6.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None

7.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None

11.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Document	Place of Inspection	Contact Officer
Application Documents	Legal Services	John Tully/Kay Cleary