

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

REPORT TO: Regulatory Committee

DATE: 26 September 2005

REPORTING OFFICER: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: Application to vary premises licence – The Southbank Public House 15 Lord Street Runcorn

WARDS: Mersey

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 Southbank Public House 15 Lord Street, Runcorn

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. RELEVANT REPRESENTATIONS

4.1 RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

- The following responsible authorities have made relevant representations
Cheshire Constabulary
Environmental Health

The relevant representations relate to

Cheshire Constabulary

Require the following conditions to be attached to the licence

Proof of Age / Challenge 21

The licence holder shall ensure that anyone who appears to be under 21 years of age who is consuming alcohol or attempting to purchase alcohol will be asked to prove their age. Accepted methods of proof of age are: passports, photo driving licences and PASS accredited proof of age cards e.g. Validate, Connexions, Citizen Card, Prove It Card. If any such person fails to satisfy the licence holder by means of such proof of age that they are 18 years old or older that person shall be ejected from the premises forthwith.

Pubwatch

The licence holder and/or the designated premises supervisor or a person nominated by them shall be a member of and regularly attend at meetings of the Pub and Club watch scheme for the area within the premises listed.

Environmental Health

Environmental Health would not object to the application subject to the following conditions

- Regulated Entertainment (categories A B C E F G H I J & L) and the sale of alcohol shall be permitted between the hours of 08.00 and 23.30 hrs
- The premises shall be closed to the public 30 minutes following the cessation of the sale of alcohol.
- Noise from any regulated entertainment (categories A B C E F G H I J & L) shall be inaudible at the nearest noise sensitive property at any time.
- Noise from any regulated entertainment (categories A B C E F G H I J & L) shall be monitored and a log of the monitoring shall be maintained for inspection by the Council.
- All doors and windows must be kept closed when any amplified music or voices are being played within the premises.
- No external speakers shall be used outside the building this will include any beer gardens or outside drinking area or car park.
- The use of any outside area will cease at 23.00

4.2 INTERESTED PARTIES

N/A

5. 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