

COMMUNITY AND SAFER CITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

12TH OCTOBER 2010

ALCOHOL, VIOLENCE AND THE NIGHT TIME ECONOMY: PROGRESS REPORT

Report of the Chief Executive

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES: SP 3: SAFE CITY

**CORPORATE PRIORITIES: CIO1: Delivering Customer Focused
Services, CIO4: Improving Partnership Working to Deliver 'One City'.**

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide members with an ongoing progress report in relation to this years policy review around Alcohol, Violence and the Night time Economy

2. Background

- 2.1 An initial scoping document providing several options for detailed focus was presented to the Committee on 6th July 2010. A further report was presented at the 14th September 2010 meeting which added structure to the review and further focus on the subject area.
- 2.2 The title of the review was agreed as Alcohol, Violence and the Night time Economy. It was agreed that a task and finish group would be set up to investigate Licensing and enforcement of the city's Licensing Policy.

3. Progress on the Policy Review

- 3.1 The first meeting of the Licensing task and finish group was held on the 30th September 2010. The group were provided with detailed information regarding the Licensing Act and consideration was given to enforcement activity that is carried out.
- 3.2 It was agreed at the meeting that further evidence should be gathered from a variety of sources including the Police, the NHS and Licensees.
- 3.3 All members of the Committee will be invited to the next task and finish group. Regular updates will be provided to the Committee regarding the evidence gathered by the task and finish group.
- 3.4 Preparations are underway to finalise a visit to the City Centre at night. The visit will take place at night so that realistic observations can be

obtained. The visit will take place with the police and will involve the observation of CCTV.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 That members note and comment on the progress in relation to the policy review.

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