

**Report of the Service Director to the
Statutory Licensing Regulatory Board
to be held on the 26 October 2022**

ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report, is to provide Members with an overview of the work Licensing Enforcement Officers have undertaken to date.

2. Background

Members are minded to note, that since the last enforcement update, Licensing Officers have proactively undertaken regular enforcement work including a joint enforcement operation visiting town centre licensed premises and inspecting door supervisors working in the night time economy, a Police led operation focused on scrap metal collectors operating within the borough and a HM Revenue and Customs led operation focused on premises predominantly licensed for Late Night Refreshment within the borough. A summary of the enforcement operations undertaken are detailed below.

3. Current Position

On the 21 September 2022 Licensing Enforcement Officers took part in Operation Voyager, a Police led operation accompanied by the DVSA and other local authority departments. Checks were carried out on vehicles carrying scrap metal to ensure they were correctly licensed under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.

As part of the operation 4 vehicles were stopped and examined, 1 vehicle was correctly licensed and compliant as a scrap metal collector, 1 was identified as requiring a collectors licence and 2 have resulted in further ongoing investigations as to whether a Scrap Metal Collectors licence is required for the purpose of the scrap they were carrying.

On the 23 September 2022 Licensing Officers alongside South Yorkshire Police Licensing Officers, South Yorkshire Police Officers and the Investigations Officer for the Security Industry Authority, took part in a night time operation focusing their attention on the town centre licensed premises and the Door Supervisors that work in our licensed venues.

In total 16 licensed venues were visited on the night and 35 Door Supervisors were inspected.

All Door Supervisors that were inspected were compliant and only one minor issue was raised during the operation relating to a damaged photocard.

It is very pleasing to note that as a result of the level of compliance found on the night in question there was no reason to issue any sanctions against any individuals.

On the 13th October 2022 Licensing Officers alongside HM Revenue and Customs Officers visited and inspected 2 licensed premises within the borough. The premises visited were compliant with the requirements of their premises licence however HMRC Officers are investigating an alleged offence found at one of the premises.

4. Proposal

Proactive enforcement operations will continue to take place and Licensing Officers will work with all Responsible Authorities and partner agencies to ensure the compliance of licensing requirements across the borough.

5. Background Papers

Enforcement Officer Reports which contain exempt information are not available for public inspection

6. Officer Contact

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