

## **PROPOSAL FOR DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACE IN MILLOM**

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<b>Summary Recommendation:</b>	This report recommends the confirmation of a Designated Public Places Order at Millom. That areas at Millom as shown on the plan attached to this report be made the subject of a Designated Public Places Order.

### **1 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 This Council has the power to make Designated Public Places Orders for areas within Copeland Borough. The effect of such Orders is to allow a police officer to either confiscate alcohol being consumed in public and/or to require the cessation of such consumption. Failure to comply is a criminal offence.
- 1.2 Over the six years or so during which this legislation has been in force, this Council has made 6 separate orders. Last year, the Executive asked its officers to speak with Cumbria Police with a view to reviewing the effectiveness of the current Orders and the need for Orders for the future.
- 1.3 As a result of this contact, it has been agreed that if further Orders are to be made, they shall be made in a planned way, following a yearly review.
- 1.4 The attached report was submitted to Executive in June of this year, from which it can be seen that Cumbria Police have put forward one area in Millom for Designation. The Executive authorised the necessary consultation process to take place.

### **2. RESULTS OF CONSULTATION**

- 2.1 The consultation period, which has now ended, brought no adverse comments on the proposals. However there was a suggestion for 2 additions to the areas consulted namely:-

- 1) The War Memorial;
- 2) Millom Palladium Grounds.

Cumbria Police feedback however is that few alcohol related incidents are reported for these areas.

- 2.2 Members should be aware that this Council is unable to make Orders in respect of areas where no proven problem has been shown to exist and therefore it is not recommended that these two areas be included in any Order.

### **3. CONCLUSIONS**

3.1 It is recommended that an Order be confirmed for the areas described in this report and that they become Designated Public Places.

**4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The cost of signs is estimated as being minimal. These are able to be financed from existing Street Scene budgets.

**List of Appendices:** Appendix A – Report to Executive. Appendix B - Plan

**List of Background Documents:** As filed in HLDS file ref: CLO.72

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