STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 586

LICENCES AND LICENSING

The Licensing Act 2003 (Royal Wedding Licensing Hours) Order 2018

Made - - - - 9th May 2018

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 172(1) and 197(2)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003(**1**), makes the following Order.

The Secretary of State considers that the celebration period in relation to which this Order is made marks an occasion of exceptional national significance.

The Secretary of State has consulted such persons as the Secretary of State considers appropriate in accordance with section 172(4) of the Licensing Act 2003.

In accordance with section 197(4) of the Licensing Act 2003, a draft of this instrument has been laid before Parliament, and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Licensing Act 2003 (Royal Wedding Licensing Hours) Order 2018 and comes into force on the day after it is made.

(2) In this Order—

(a) "the celebration period" means the period beginning with 18th May 2018 and ending with 20th May 2018, and

(b) "specified times" means the periods of 2 hours beginning at 11pm on each of the 18th May and 19th May 2018.

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2.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), premises licences and club premises certificates to which paragraph (2) applies have effect (to the extent that it is not already the case) during the celebration period as if the specified times were included in the opening hours(**2**).

(2) This paragraph applies to premises licences and club premises certificates by virtue of which the opening hours immediately precede or continue into the specified times.

(**1**) 2003 c. 17.

(**2**) The definition of "opening hours" is contained in section 172(5) of the Licensing Act 2003.