

**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Minutes** of the meeting held at the County Borough Council Offices, The Pavilions, Cambrian Park, Clydach Vale on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 5:00pm.

**PRESENT**

County Borough Councillor A. S. Fox – in the Chair

**County Borough Councillors**

J. Bunnage  
(Mrs) J. Cass  
(Mrs) S. J. Jones

B. Morgan  
S. Powderhill  
G. Smith

**Officers in Attendance:**

Mr P J Mee - Service Director, Public Health & Protection

Mrs R. Smith – Solicitor

Mr L. Morgan – Assistant Licensing Manager

**13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from County Borough Councillors S. A. Bradwick, K. Montague, I. Pearce, L. G. Walker, E. Webster, C. J. Williams, W. D. Weeks and T. Williams.

**14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of personal interests in matters pertaining to the agenda

**15. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 1998 AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT**

**RESOLVED** – to note that when Members determine the licensing and registration matters before them, they have a duty not to act in a manner that is incompatible with the convention on Human Rights and the Crime and Disorder Act.

**16. WELCOME**

The Chairman extended a welcome to Mr Gary Black who will shortly take up his appointment as Community Safety & Licensing Manager.

## **17. ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Chairman reminded Committee that a Licensing Training session had been arranged for Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 9.45 in the County Borough Council Offices (The Chamber), The Pavilions, Cambrian Park, Clydach Vale for all Members.

## **18. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** to approve as an accurate record the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on the 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

## **19. LICENCES AND REGISTRATIONS ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISION OF DELEGATED POWERS**

In his report, the Service Director, Public Health and Protection presented Members with details of licences and registrations issued during the period 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2016 to the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Following consideration of the report it was **RESOLVED** to note the content.

## **20. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED** – that the press and public be excluded from the meeting under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended) for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 12 of Schedule 12A of the Act, namely, information relating to a particular individual. Transparency in the conduct of Local Authority business is desirable; however personal data relating to the conduct and capabilities of individuals will be discussed and considered. Consequently, it is considered the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing information

## **21. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 APPLICATIONS AND REVIEW OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER LICENCES**

The Service Director, Public Health and Protection addressed Committee in respect of the application for the grant of Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence by Mr MA of Tonypandy set out within his report. Members were advised that the Licensing Authority is awaiting the Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) in respect of the applicant and therefore it was **RESOLVED** to defer determination of the application of Mr MA of Tonypandy until such time that DBS is received by the authority.

## **22. ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY**

The Service Director, Public Health & Protection presented his report outlining the most recent activity relating to the taxi trade, complaint led

enforcement activity and prosecution updates for the period 21<sup>st</sup> March to the 27<sup>th</sup> May 2016. There followed a discussion following notification of the outcome of the one appeal for the period. Following presentation of his report it was **RESOLVED** to note the content which had been provided for information only.

**23. SUMMARY OF LICENCES ISSUED UNDER PROVISION OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

In his report the Service Director, Public Health and Protection provided a summary of Licences and/or Registrations issued under provisions of Delegated Authority for the period 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2016 to the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2016 and it was **RESOLVED** to note the report.

A. S. Fox  
Chairman

The meeting closed at 5.30pm