RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

<u>LICENSING COMMITTEE</u> (SITTING IN ITS ROLE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003)

Minutes of the meeting held at the County Borough Council Offices, the Pavilions, Clydach Vale on Tuesday, 17 January 2017 at 4:30p.m.

PRESENT

County Borough Councillor A. Fox – in the Chair

County Borough Councillors

S. A. Bradwick	G. Smith
J. Bunnage	L. G. Walker
(Mrs) S. J. Jones	E. Webster
B. Morgan	T. Williams
I. Pearce	W. D. Weeks

Officers in Attendance

Mr P.J. Mee – Service Director, Public Health & Protection
Mrs R. Smith –Solicitor
Mr G. Black – Community Safety & Licensing Manager
Mr L. Morgan – Assistant Licensing Manager
Mrs L. Davies – Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards & Community Safety

16. <u>APOLOGY</u>

An apology of absence was received from County Borough Councillors (Mrs) J. Cass, K. Montague, S. Powderhill and C. J. Williams

17. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED - In accordance with the Code of Conduct, County Borough Councillor G. Smith declared a personal interest in Application No. 4, Review of Licensing Act 2003 & Gambling Act 2005 – 'Wife named as person licensed for Street Collection on behalf of St John's Messy Church.'

18. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 1988 AND CRIME & 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.

19. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED to approve as an accurate record the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee (sitting in its role under the Licensing Act 2003) held on the 18th October 2016.

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, PUBLIC HEALTH & PROTECTION

20. REVIEW OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 AND THE GAMBLING ACT 2005

The Service Director, Public Health & Protection presented the Committee with his quarterly report on relevant issues with regard to the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005, together with ancillary matters arising from the responsibilities charged to the Committee.

It was reported that the Temporary Events Notices (TEN's) attached at Appendix 1A of the report reflect the increase in the number of events held over the Christmas period. The Service Director, Public Health & Protection reported the outcome of the two contested applications which had been determined since the last Committee.

Committee was provided with an update under the heading Compliance & Enforcement relating to a number of test purchases which were conducted across the County Borough. Every test purchase has been successfully refused.

Under the heading Complaints, Advice and Guidance the Service Director Public Health & Protection informed Committee of the Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP) launch which was held at 'The Factory' on the 15th November 2016. Following the launch it was reported that regular updates would be provided in respect of the Porth Community Alcohol Partnership at future meetings.

The Service Director Public Health & Protection confirmed that since the publication of the report, the recovery of Annual Fees had reduced from £19,267.16 as at 30th November 2016 to approximately £7K. In conclusion Committee was informed that there is little change to the position of the Gambling Act 2005 due to the static nature of the trade and confirmed that the recovery of annual fees remains at 100%.

Further to questions raised by Committee and the responses received from the relevant officers it was **RESOLVED**:-

I. To note the contents of the report in respect of the **Licensing**Act 2003 which has been provided for information;

II. To note the contents of the report in respect of the **Gambling Act 2005** which has been provided for information;

21. 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 13 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.

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, PUBLIC HEALTH AND PROTECTION CONTAINING EXEMPT INFORMATION

22. <u>LICENSING ACT 2003 – LICENCES AND REGISTRATIONS ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISION OF DELEGATED POWERS</u>

In his report, the Service Director, Public Health & Protection provided details of licences and registrations issued during the period the 3rd October 2016 to the 25th December 2016 in respect of Personal and Premises Licences. Following discussions It was **RESOLVED** to note the report.

A. FOX CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 4.45pm