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### **RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 6 March 2018 at 5.00 pm at the Council Chamber, The Pavilions, Cambrian Park. Clydach Vale, Tonypany, CF40 2XX.

#### **County Borough Councillors - Licensing Committee Members in attendance:-**

Councillor A Fox (Chair)

Councillor D Williams	Councillor S Powderhill	Councillor E Webster	Councillor S Morgans
Councillor A Cox	Councillor L Jones	Councillor P Howe	

#### **Officers in attendance**

Ms L Davies, Head Of Environmental Health, Trading Standards & Community Safety  
Mr G Black, Community Safety and Licensing Manager  
Mr P Nicholls, Head Of Legal - Litigation, Planning & Environment, Community & Children's Services  
Mr A Morgan, Licensing Enforcement Officer

#### **63 WELCOME**

The Chair welcomed new Member, County Borough Councillor P. Howe to his first meeting of the Licensing Committee and introductions were made.

The new meeting clerks H. Williams and E. Wilkins were also welcomed to their first meeting. The Chair took the opportunity to extend the Committee's gratitude to the previous Clerk J. Nicholls who had been exceptionally knowledgeable and supportive to Members over the previous years.

#### **64 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from County Borough Councillors S. Bradwick, W. Lewis and T. Williams.

#### **65 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, there were no declarations made pertaining to the agenda.

#### **66 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT**

It was **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.

**67 MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018 as an accurate reflection of the meeting.

**68 TO CONSIDER THE LICENCES & REGISTRATIONS ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISION OF DELEGATED POWERS FOR THE PERIOD 08.01.18 - 18.02.18**

The Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards & Community Safety presented Members with details of licenses and registrations issued during the period 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 to 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.

Councillor Powderhill queried whether officers were mindful of any planning applications sought in conjunction with the granting of a animal boarding premises licence and queried whether there was any potential conflict between the two. The Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards & Community Safety advised that planning applications on an animal boarding premises licence were not a material consideration within the legislation when granting a premises licence and following discussions, it was **RESOLVED** to note the content of the report.

**69 TO CONSIDER PASSING THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:-**

It was **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 Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

**70 ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY (INCLUDING APPEAL/PROSECUTION DATA) FOR THE PERIOD 10.01.18 - 23.2.18**

The Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards & Community Safety provided Members with the report outlining the most recent activity relating to enforcement activity, including any prosecution and appeals updates for the period 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 to 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2018.

Following consideration of the report, it was **RESOLVED** to note the content which had been provided for information only.

**71 SUMMARY OF LICENCES ISSUED UNDER PROVISION OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR THE PERIOD 08.01.18 - 18.02.18**

The Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards & Community Safety provided Members with the report which outlined the Licences and/or registrations issued under the provisions of Delegated Authority for the period 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 to 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.

Members **RESOLVED** to note the content of the report.

**72 TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL TO ALLOW USE AS TRANSPORT CONTRACT PERSONNEL:**

In his report, the Service Director, Highways set out details of the following application for clearance for use as a driver or passenger assistant on schools, community services or other associated transport contracts.

In accordance with adopted procedures the Committee received Mr SR of Pentre whose application for clearance as use as a Contract Transport Personnel required consideration by the Licensing Committee.

Following consideration of the report, the Committee **RESOLVED** to refuse the application for clearance for use as a Contract Transport Personnel.

**73 KNOWLEDGE TEST UPDATE**

Through the use of a powerpoint presentation the Community Safety & Licensing Manager provided Members of the Committee with information in respect of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Knowledge Test which had been implemented by the Council in September 2017 for new applicants, and advised Members of the impact this had on new licence approvals going forward.

Members were given the opportunity to trial the Knowledge Test and **RESOLVED** to note the update.

**This meeting closed at 6.10 pm**

**Cllr A Fox  
Chairman.**