



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Tuesday, 3 December 2019 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 Bradwick
Councillor S Powderhill	Councillor E Webster
Councillor T Williams	Councillor W Lewis
Councillor A Cox	Councillor L Jones

Officers in attendance:-

Ms L Davies, Service Director – Public Protection Services
Mr P Nicholls, Service Director, Legal Services
Ms R Hope, Health Protection and Licensing Service Manager
Mr A Morgan, Licensing Enforcement Officer
Mr M Owen, Assistant Licensing Manager
Mr N Evans, Licensing Enforcement Officer

38 Declaration of Interest

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

39 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.

40 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the 15th October 2019 as an accurate reflection of the meeting.

41 Announcement of the Chair

The Chair advised Members that this would be Alan Jones's last meeting as he was due to retire from the Local Authority in December.

On behalf of Committee the Chair thanked Alan for his service and wished him a long and happy retirement.

42 To consider the Licences & Registrations issued under the provision of Delegated Powers for the period: 30.09.19 - 17.11.19

The Service Director, Public Protection presented Members with details of licences and registrations issued during the period 30th September 2019 to the 17th November 2019.

Whilst delivering the report, the Service Director advised that there had been very few fireworks and explosives licences and registrations issued for the period. It was also reported that further to concern regarding fireworks a Notice of Motion (NOM) had been submitted and approved by Full Council following which a report would be presented to a future meeting of the Cabinet from the Public Protection division.

It was **RESOLVED** to acknowledge the update.

43 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.

44 To consider the following Applications for Licensing and/or Registration:

The Service Director, Public Protection set out details of the following application for the grant of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence.

In accordance with adopted procedures, Members received Mr SJM of Ferndale whose application for the grant of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence was before Committee.

Following consideration of the report and the evidence before them, the Committee **RESOLVED** to grant the application subject to the usual standard terms and conditions; with a warning.

(Note : Prior to the Applicant leaving, the Chairman emphasised the need to have due regard to the warning issued by the Committee as failure to do so, may affect the determination of future applications).

45 Enforcement Summary (Including Appeal/Prosecution Data) for the period: 05.10.19 - 22.11.19

The Service Director, Public Protection, provided Members with the report outlining the most recent enforcement activity, including any prosecution and appeal updates for the period 5th October 2019 to the 22nd November 2019.

Following consideration of the report and a number of queries, it was confirmed that further information would be reported to the next appropriate Committee in respect of the following matters:-

- The results of the Council's knowledge tests undertaken;
- Trade response to the cowboy cabs stickers campaign; and
- RCT/All Wales appeal data

It was **RESOLVED** :-

1. To acknowledge the update; and
2. To receive the afore-mentioned information as requested by Committee.

46 Summary of Licences issued under provision of Delegated Authority for the period: 30.09.19 - 17.11.19

The Service Director, Public Protection provided Members with the report outlining the Licences and/or Registrations issued under provisions of Delegated Authority for the period 30th September 2019 to 17th November 2019.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to acknowledge the update.

This meeting closed at 5.30 pm

**CLLR A FOX
CHAIR.**