

# **RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL**

Minutes of the virtual meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Tuesday, 12 December 2023 at 5.00 pm.

This meeting was live streamed, details of which can be accessed here

## County Borough Councillors: -

Councillor A Fox (Chair)

Councillor G Stacey Councillor G Holmes Councillor S Powderhill Councillor J Turner

### Officers in attendance: -

Ms R Hope, Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services Mr M Owen, Assistant Licensing Manager Ms K Trilloe, Health Protection and Licensing Manager Mr O Williams, Senior Solicitor - Litigation

# 37 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from County Borough Councillors S. Bradwick and A O Rogers.

#### 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 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 as an accurate reflection of the meeting.

## 41 TO CONSIDER THE LICENCES & REGISTRATIONS ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISION OF DELEGATED POWERS FOR THE PERIOD: 02.10.23 - 26.11.23

The Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services presented Members with details of licences and registrations issued during the period 2<sup>nd</sup> October to 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

### 42 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.

## 43 TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSING AND/OR REGISTRATION:

1) The Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services 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 DW 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.

2) The Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services set out details of the following application for the review of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence.

In accordance with adopted procedures, Members received Mr SC whose application for the review 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 revoke the licence on the basis that Mr SC has failed to satisfy 'fit & proper' person criteria required to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle.

 The Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services 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 TH 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 refuse the application.

## 44 ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY (INCLUDING APPEAL/PROSECUTION DATA) FOR THE PERIOD: 02.10.23 - 26.11.23

The Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services provided Members with the report outlining the most recent enforcement activity, including any prosecution and appeals updates for the period 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 to 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

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

### 45 SUMMARY OF LICENCES ISSUED UNDER PROVISION OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR THE PERIOD: 02.10.23 - 26.11.23

The Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services provided Members with the report outlining the Licences and/or Registrations issued under provisions of Delegated Authority for the period 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 to 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

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

This meeting closed at 6.40 pm

Councillor A Fox Chair.

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