



## **RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL**

Minutes of the hybrid meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Tuesday, 15 October 2024 at 5.00 pm at Council Chamber, 2 Llys Cadwyn, Taff Street, Pontypridd, CF37 4TH/Zoom.

This meeting was live streamed, details of which can be accessed [here](#)

### **County Borough Councillors: -**

Councillor A Fox (Chair)

Councillor G Stacey	Councillor S Bradwick
Councillor L Ellis	Councillor G Holmes
Councillor S Powderhill	Councillor A O Rogers
Councillor J Turner	

### **Officers in attendance: -**

Ms R Hope, Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services  
Ms K Trilloe, Health Protection and Licensing Manager  
Mr O Williams, Senior Solicitor - Litigation  
Ms L Warton - Licensing Officer  
Police Constable J Roberts – South Wales Police

## **29 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absences were received from County Borough Councillor D. Evans, G. Hughes and W. Hughes.

## **30 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

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

## **31 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.

## **32 MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024 as an accurate reflection of the meeting.

**33 TO CONSIDER THE LICENCES & REGISTRATIONS ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISION OF DELEGATED POWERS FOR THE PERIOD: 26.08.24 - 29.09.24**

The Head of Service for Public Protection and Regulatory Services presented Members with details of licences and registrations issued during the period 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024 to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024, and it was **RESOLVED** to note the content of the report.

**34 MANDATORY LICENSING OF SPECIAL PROCEDURES IN WALES**

The Health Protection and Licensing Manager outlined the report, which is to seek approval from members to set an appropriate fee structure and scheme of delegated authority for the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017 in respect of special procedure licensing.

The Health Protection and Licensing Manager drew Members attention to the proposed fees and reported that they have been set as an All Wales fee structure which will be reviewed following a year of implementation.

Members were advised that in order to deal efficiently with applications and enforcement, it is proposed that the powers listed in the report be delegated to the Director of Public Protection and Community Services. Furthermore, that an additional three powers be included in the list, namely, Section 65 (2) Power to issue a refusal notice of a Special Procedure License, Section 66 (3)(6) Power to issue a refusal notice of a Special Procedure License, and Section 68 Power to issue a revocation notice of a Special Procedure License.

Following consideration of the report, the Committee **RESOLVED**;

1. That Members approve the proposed all Wales fee structure detailed in section 2.2 of this report.
2. In order to deal efficiently with applications and enforcement, the powers listed in section 2.3 of this report be delegated to the Director of Public Health, Protection and Community Services.

**35 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.

## 36 OVERVIEW OF KNOWLEDGE TEST

The Licensing Officer provided Members with an Overview of Knowledge Test in a form of a presentation.

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

## 37 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 LGW 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 Mrs GD 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 issue a written warning.

## 38 ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY (INCLUDING APPEAL/PROSECUTION DATA) FOR THE PERIOD: 26.08.24 - 29.09.24

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 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024 to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024, and it was **RESOLVED** to note the content of the report.

## 39 SUMMARY OF LICENCES ISSUED UNDER PROVISION OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR THE PERIOD: 26.08.24 - 29.09.24

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August 2024 to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024, and it was **RESOLVED** to note the content of the report.

**This meeting closed at 6.12 pm**

**Councillor A Fox  
Chair.**

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