

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICES, ANGEL STREET, BRIDGEND ON TUESDAY, 19 MAY 2009 AT 1.00PM

Present:-

Councillor C J James - Chairperson

<u>Councillors</u>	<u>Councillors</u>	<u>Councillors</u>
D Buttle	R D Jenkins	K Watkins
E M Dodd	C E Hughes	M C Wilkins
D K Edwards	D A Unwin	R Williams

Officers:

Y Witchell	-	Licensing and Registration Officer
K Watson	-	Senior Solicitor
R Morris	-	Senior Licensing and Registration Assistant
R Lewis	-	Assistant Solicitor
M A Galvin	-	Senior Cabinet and Committee Officer
J Monks	-	Cabinet Committee Officer

32 WELCOME

The Chairperson welcomed Councillors Dodd and Watkins to their first meeting of the Licensing Committee.

33 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from the following Members:

Councillor M W Butcher	-	Holiday
Councillor M L Simmonds	-	Unwell
Councillor P W White	-	Holiday

34 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

35 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 18 March 2009, be approved as a true and accurate record.

36 LICENSING COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES

The Assistant Chief Executive Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report, the purpose of which, was to propose the delegation of licensing functions to the Licensing Sub-Committee, and to elect Licensing Sub-Committees (consisting of three Members for each Panel) for three Special Licensing Sub-Committees being convened within the immediate future.

The report referred to a decision made at the recent Annual meeting of Council, where the appointment of Members was made in respect of the Licensing Committee, including the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

The report also sought to confirm as previous that two Licensing Sub-Committees be established (i.e. Sub-Committee 'A' and 'B') with the Chairperson of the Committee being Chairperson of Licensing Sub-Committee 'A' and the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee being Chairperson of Licensing Sub-Committee 'B'.

The remit of these Sub-Committees would be to undertake all general licensing functions, including taxi licensing, with the exception of those falling within the purview of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005, which have specific legal requirements relating to the formation of Sub-Committees.

To this end, Panels of Special Licensing Sub-Committees consisting of three Members chaired by the Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson, using Licensing Sub-Committees 'A' and 'B' on generally a rota basis would be used.

The report further advised that it was the role of the Licensing Committee to establish the above mentioned Sub-Committees.

Arising from consideration of the Officer's report, it was

RESOLVED: That the Committee:

- (1) Approves the formation of two Licensing Sub-Committees each comprising seven Members to be known as Licensing Sub-Committees 'A' and 'B'.
- (2) Approves that the Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson of the Licensing Committee be appointed to Chair the Licensing Sub-Committees 'A' and 'B', respectively.
- (3) Receives nominations and appoints Members to Licensing Sub-Committees 'A' and 'B', as follows:-

<u>Licensing Sub-Committee 'A'</u>	<u>Licensing Sub-Committee 'B'</u>
M Butcher	D Buttle
C J James *	E Dodd
R D Jenkins	D K Edwards *
D A Unwin	C E Hughes
K Watkins	D N W Jones
M C Wilkins	M L Simmonds
R Williams	P J White

(* Denotes Chairperson)

- (4) Approves the formation of two further Sub-Committees, consisting of three Members of the Licensing Committee, to determine applications under the Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005, with each Sub-Committee to be chaired by either the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of the Licensing Committee sitting with two Members of the Licensing Committee attending on a rota basis.
- (5) Approves that in the event of the Chairperson and/or Vice-Chairperson being unable to attend any meetings of the Licensing Sub-Committees, that a Chairperson may be

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elected from the remaining Panel of Licensing Committee Members.

- (6) That the following Members sit on the Special Meetings of the Licensing Sub-Committee on the dates so specified:-

<u>Time/Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Panel Members</u>	<u>Licensing Sub-Committee</u>
2.00pm 19 May 2009	Cllr C J James Cllr R D Jenkins Cllr M C Wilkins	'A'
10.00am 22 May 2009	Cllr D K Edwards Cllr D Buttle Cllr C E Hughes	'B'
10.00am 26 May 2009	Cllr C J James Cllr R Williams Cllr M C Wilkins	'A'

The meeting closed at 1.40pm