

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO LICENSING COMMITTEE

24 MAY 2016

**REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR OPERATIONAL AND
PARTNERSHIP SERVICES**

APPOINTMENT OF LICENSING SUB- COMMITTEE(S)

1. Purpose of Report.

- 1.1 To propose the membership of the Licensing Committee Sub-Committees following the Annual Meeting of Council 2016.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives/Other Corporate Priorities

- 2.1 The proposals are required to effectively discharge the functions of the authority in respect of general licensing applications, the majority of which relate to taxi licensing. The range of functions is set out within the Council's Constitution in Part 3 Responsibility for Functions relating to the Licensing Committee and Sub-Committees. These functions include taxi licensing, street trading, and other general licensing regimes as required. A separate report is being submitted in respect of Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005 functions.

3. Background.

- 3.1 At their meeting on 18 May 2016 Council received a report establishing the membership of the Licensing Act 2003 Committee and the Licensing Committee.

4. Current situation / proposal.

- 4.1 It is proposed that the Licensing Committee continue with the existing arrangements and approve the formation of two panels sitting on a rota basis each consisting of seven Members of the Licensing Committee and chaired by the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Licensing Committee where possible.
- 4.2 In the event that the Chair or Vice Chair are not able to attend their respective sub-committee meeting, a chair will be elected from those in attendance.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules.

5.1 The report content has no direct effect upon the Policy Framework and Procedure Rules.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

6.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

7. Financial Implications.

7.1 There are no financial implications to the proposals.

8. Recommendations

8.1 The Committee is recommended to:

8.2 Approve the formation of two panels sitting on a rota basis each consisting of seven Members of the Licensing Committee and chaired by the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Licensing Committee where possible. In the event that the Chair or Vice Chair are not able to attend their respective subcommittee meeting, a chair will be elected from those in attendance. These Licensing Sub-Committees will undertake licensing functions, including taxi licensing and street trading as set out in the Council's Constitution.

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Background documents

Report to Council 18 May 2016

Council Constitution