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MERTHYR TUDFUL  
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County Borough Council

## MINUTES OF MEETING

# PWYLLGOR TRWYDDEDU / LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 2016**

**PRESENT:** Councillor B E Mansbridge (**In the Chair**)

Councillors H Barrett and T Chaplin

**Officers:**

Simon Jones (Senior Solicitor), Paul Lewis (Trading Standards and Licensing Manager), Joanne Baber (Licensing Officer) and Amy Gould (Licensing Officer)

**Police Representative:**

Andrew Jenkins (Licensing Officer South Wales Police)

Mair Morgan (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
244	Apologies for absence	No apologies for absence were received as all Members were present.
245	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.
246	Application for a New Sexual Entertainment Licence - 104 High Street, Merthyr Tydfil	The Chair welcomed Nila Juara the applicant, Kayleigh Bentley supporter, four local residents representing the objectors and their Solicitor John Payne to the Meeting.  Simon Jones then outlined the procedure for the hearing.

		<p>Joanne Baber referred to the 'Application for a new Sexual Entertainment Licence, 104 High Street, Merthyr Tydfil' report and led the Committee in detail through the report and advised that under Paragraph 5.0 – Representations further information had been received from Mr Payne and a copy of this information had been provided to the Councillors and the applicant.</p> <p>Andrew Jenkins Police Licensing Officer then referred to the report and outlined representations that the Police felt were proportionate and necessary to the application.</p> <p>The applicant then confirmed that she agreed with all these conditions.</p> <p>Mr Payne referred to the submissions of the objectors that had been circulated to the Committee and the applicant and gave a detailed submission in respect of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Background</li><li>• Considerations : Statutory Basis</li><li>• Locality</li><li>• Suitability of the Applicant</li><li>• Considerations: Statements and Studies</li><li>• Summary</li></ul> <p>Mr Payne also submitted to the Committee a copy of events that had taken place in Penderyn Square that he felt were inconsistent with a SEV venue.</p> <p>An objector then advised that their written objection was contained within the report and advised that the application would not enhance the 'Vision' of the Council.</p> <p>Ms Juara extended apologies for absence from the Directors as they were unable to attend due to holidays.</p> <p>Ms Juara then gave details of the application for a Sexual Entertainment Venue Licence and circulated to the Committee a structure of personnel who would be working at the premises.</p> <p>Mr Payne then objected to the late submission of this document.</p> <p>Simon Jones advised the Committee with regard to the submissions that had been made in particular the fact that the Committee could refuse the application if it felt that a SEV of the type applied for was inappropriate for the locality. Mr Jones referred to premises in the area such as the Church, the Library and the Redhouse and advised that locality was not defined in the Legislation and there was no Council Policy that defined it. Mr Jones asked Ms Juara if the applicant accepted that the premises referred to above were in the locality of the proposed SEV premises and Ms Juara accepted that they were.</p>
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247	Any other business as deemed Urgent by the Chair	The Chair advised that there was no business deemed urgent.