



MERTHYR TYDFIL  
County Borough Council  
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol  
MERTHYR TUDFUL

MINUTES OF MEETING

# **STATUTORY LICENSING** **COMMITTEE**

THURSDAY, 19TH MARCH, 2015

**PRESENT:** Councillor C T Jones (In the Chair)

Councillors A Jones and L A Matthews

**Officers:**

Simon Jones (Senior Solicitor), Amy Gould (Licensing Officer) and Joanne Baber (Licensing Officer)

**Police Representative:**

PC Kelvin Jones (Licensing Officer South Wales Police) and PC Andrew Jenkins (Licensing Officer South Wales Police)

Karen Vokes (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
1145	Apologies for absence	No apologies for absence received as all Members were present.
1146	Declarations of Interest	No declarations of interest were made.
1147	Application to vary a Premises Licence - Coolfoods, Unit 9 Chestnut Way, Gurnos, Merthyr Tydfil	<p><u>In attendance:</u> Mr Richard Llewellyn (Applicant)</p> <p>The Chair welcomed Mr Llewellyn to the meeting.</p> <p>Amy Gould, the Council's Licensing Officer, led the Committee through the application requesting a variation to the Premises Licence at Coolfoods, Unit 9, Chestnut Way, Gurnos.</p>

		<p>Mr Llewellyn then addressed the Committee in support of his application and outlined additional steps he would take to promote the four licensing objectives should the variation be granted.</p> <p>Questions were raised by the Committee and were answered by the appropriate officer.</p> <p>The Chair then thanked all parties for their representation and they left the meeting.</p> <p>The Committee then considered the application, and it was</p> <p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The application to extend the hours for the sale of alcohol OFF at the premises from Monday to Sunday to 10.00 p.m. be approved.</p>
1148	Application to review a Premises Licence - Drovers Arms, Cefn Coed, Merthyr Tydfil	<p><u>In attendance:</u></p> <p>Mr Usherwood (Director and part owner of Pontardawe Inn Ltd) Mr John Williams (new tenant of Drovers Arms, Cefn Coed, Merthyr Tydfil)</p> <p><u>Objectors:</u> Mr Trevor Davies, Mrs Joan Davies and Ms Michelle Winston</p> <p>Joe Baber, the Authority's Licensing Officer, led the Committee through the application to review the premises licence which had been requested by the South Wales Police.</p> <p>PC Andrew Jenkins advised the Committee that South Wales Police had applied for a review of the premises licence for the Drovers Arms at High Street, Cefn Coed, Merthyr Tydfil on the grounds that the licensing objectives were not being promoted, in particular the prevention of crime and disorder and public nuisance. He then outlined in detail the incidents that had recently occurred at the public house.</p> <p>The objectors, who are nearby residents of the public house, expressed their concerns to the Committee with regard to the problems they had experienced.</p> <p>Mr Usherwood then advised the Committee of the situation with regard to the current DPS, who is unable to be in day to day control of the public house due to ill health.</p> <p>He accepted that there were problems when the previous Interim Manager was in place and that he had already taken steps to ensure that those problems did not re-occur. He outlined that the Interim Manager was no longer involved with the public house and that Mr John Williams had taken over.</p>

		<p>Questions were raised by all parties and were answered accordingly.</p> <p>All parties left the meeting.</p> <p>Debate ensued and it was <b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The conditions, as stipulated in the notice of determination, be implemented.</p>
1149	Any other business as deemed Urgent by the Chair	The Chair advised that there was no business deemed urgent.