



Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol
MERTHYR TUDFUL
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County Borough Council

MINUTES OF MEETING

LICENSING COMMITTEE

MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 28TH MARCH, 2018

PRESENT: Councillor C Tovey (Chair)

Councillors K Gibbs and M Colbran

Officers:

S Jones (Senior Solicitor), J Baber (Licensing Officer) and
C Rushton (Trading Standards Officer)

Police Representative:

A Jenkins (South Wales Police)

M Morgan (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
873	Apologies for absence	No apologies for absence were received as all Members were present.
874	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.
875	Application for a New Premises Licence - Trago Mills (Merthyr) Limited	The Chair welcomed Mr Tony Baxter and Mr Andrew Pritchard Catering Managers Trago Mills and a number of local residents to the Meeting. Simon Jones then outlined to the Meeting the procedure for the hearing. Jo Baber referred the Committee to the 'Application for a New Premises Licence – Trago Mills (Merthyr) Limited, Swansea Road, Merthyr Tydfil' report.

		<p>Andy Jenkins Police Licensing Officer also led the Committee through the report and referred in detail to the representations of the Police in relation to the application and the recommendation of a digital CCTV recording system capable of recording 31 days of 24 hour recording with the images to be retained for a period of 31 days.</p> <p>Andy Jenkins further stated that the applicants had advised that on their other sites there was a 14 day retention period which was a shorter period than the Police were asking for and he gave reasons why the Police were requesting the 31 day retention period.</p> <p>Andy Jenkins also advised that the retention period varied across the Country and gave details of other Authorities.</p> <p>Mr Baxter advised that he was awaiting a response from the Managing Director. The CCTV System was not yet fully installed however if the images could be recorded and retained for the period required by the Police then this would be done.</p> <p>Andy Jenkins advised that the Police were willing to compromise but the minimum they were prepared to accept would be 21 days.</p> <p>Simon Jones then asked Andy Jenkins would the Police be satisfied with the application if the Company accepted the Police conditions. Andy Jenkins responded in the affirmative.</p> <p>Craig Rushton then outlined in detail the conditions required by the Trading Standards Department.</p> <p>Mr Baxter advised that alcohol would only be sold in the Cafeteria and that the Cafeteria staff had received training.</p> <p>Simon Jones then read out in full correspondence received from the Environmental Health Officer in relation to noise and advised that in the opinion of the Public Health Officer Llewellyn Patrick there should be no noise issues if the conditions proposed by him were adopted. Simon Jones also advised that irrespective of any conditions that may be attached to the Premises Licence, the Public Health Department also had a Statutory Duty to enforce noise nuisance.</p> <p>A resident then made reference to the playing of music indoors and in a Tent outside.</p> <p>Mr Baxter advised that they were not intending to erect a Tent outside from which music would be played. He said that Music would be at Christmas and special events and music would not be an attraction in its own right.</p> <p>There was a Bandstand within the area of the shop entrance but that was enclosed on three sides.</p> <p>Jo Baber then confirmed that there had been clarification in</p>
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		<p>relation to the location of the Bandstand.</p> <p>Questions were then raised by the residents and the Members in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of windows when there were music events • The frequency of indoor and outdoor events • Footpath leading to dwellings with alcohol being consumed on the route • Noise levels • Issues of Lorries, Dirt and Dust <p>Mr Baxter then responded to the questions raised and advised that the music events would be in the nature of a Brass Band and at Christmas a Children's Choir singing in the store and he imagined that there would be music on the opening day of the store and an occasional Charity Event during the year. A Programme of Christmas event's at another store was then circulated to the Committee for their information.</p> <p>Mr Baxter further advised that there was no Bar in the store but alcohol in bottles would be available to purchase with a meal in the Restaurant or as a Gift Pack to take home.</p> <p>People would not be allowed to drink on the site and referred to Security arrangements in the store. Mr Baxter reassured residents that there would be no revellers from the store on the footpath leading to dwellings.</p> <p>Mr Baxter also advised that he would be happy to arrange a visit to the site.</p> <p>All parties then left the Meeting.</p> <p>The Members then debated the application and after consideration it was</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The Licence subject to such conditions modified to such extent as the Authority considers necessary for the promotion of the Licensing Objectives be granted.</p> <p>All parties then re-entered the Meeting and were advised of the Committee's decision by Simon Jones.</p>
876	Any other business deemed Urgent by the Chair	The Chair advised that there was no business deemed urgent.