STATUTORY LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of a remote meeting held on 11th March, 2022.

The Committee agenda is available <u>here</u>.

The Meeting recording is available here.

Present: Councillors R. Crowley, K.F. McCaffer and J.W. Thomas.

<u>Also present</u>: Legal Officer (Vale of Glamorgan) Licensing Officers (Vale of Glamorgan), Mr Scott McCarthy (South Wales Police – Licensing).

The Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer explained the procedure to be used for the hearing and advised that a copy of the procedure was available within the agenda.

(a) Announcement -

Prior to the commencement of the business of the Committee, the Democratic & Scrutiny Services Officer read the following statement: "May I remind everyone present that the meeting will be live streamed as well as recorded via the internet and this recording archived for future viewing."

(b) Appointment of Chair -

RESOLVED – T H A T Councillor J.W. Thomas be elected as the Chair for the duration of the Sub-Committee hearing.

(c) <u>Declarations of Interest</u> –

No declarations of interest were received.

(d) <u>Licensing Act 2003 – Application for the Grant of a Premises Licence –</u> Barry West End Club and Institute, 54 St. Nicholas Road, Barry –

The Legal Officer advised that a request had been received from the Applicant's Agent to rearrange the hearing in order that they themselves may attend.

In the absence of the Applicant and their Agent, the Licensing Officer subsequently confirmed the context set out within the written request and advised that further correspondence had been received from the Agent in relation to their availability for alternative dates.

The Chair subsequently queried the membership and notice procedure for agreeing a secondary hearing, to which, the Democratic & Scrutiny Services Officer advised that all parties currently present would be consulted to attend the

re-arranged hearing in line with the Council's statutory (agenda publication) notice deadlines. Therefore, an appropriate alternative date would be circulated to all parties by Democratic Services following the hearing.

Having considered the hearing papers put before the Sub-Committee, the Legal Officer suggested that, if a re-arranged hearing was agreed, the South Wales Police Service had the opportunity to produce further evidence to corroborate its written objections already received. In response and agreement, the South Wales Police Representative noted the Legal Officer's suggestion.

In response to the Chair's question on whether the matter could be mediated prior to any further hearing given the closeness in the objections and application received, the South Wales Police Representative confirmed that discussion between the Service and the Applicant would continue prior to any future hearings being arranged and that any outcomes would be passed to the Local Authority as soon as possible. In addition, the Democratic & Scrutiny Services Officer advised that, in the interests of transparency for the general public and in line with any Sub-Committee resolutions, a secondary hearing would be required, and the context of the application set out at that time.

Following approval of the re-arrangement request from all Sub-Committee Members and the South Wales Police Representative present, the Sub-Committee subsequently

RESOLVED - T H A T the hearing be rearranged to an alternative date to be confirmed

Reason for decision

To agree the hearing rearrangement request as received by the Applicant's Agent.

N:B Since the hearing held on the 11th March 2022, the Licensing Department for the Local Authority had received confirmation from the South Wales Police Service that their representations in objection had been mediated following further discussions held between themselves and the Applicant's Agent. The Application was therefore granted by the Local Authority on 17th March 2022 with no further hearing being required.