

# **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD AT NEUADD BRYCHEINIOG, BRECON ON 25 JUNE, 2012**

**PRESENT:** County Councillor D.R. Price [Chair]  
County Councillor W.J. Evans and A.G. Thomas

## **Officers**

Josie Evans, Licensing Officer  
Sue Evans, Senior Licensing Officer  
Lynne Couhglan, Solicitor, Clerk to the Sub-Committee

### **1. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **2. PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES**

The Chair introduced the Sub-Committee and its Clerk.

The Clerk to the Sub-Committee on behalf of the Head of Legal, Scrutiny and Democratic Services explained the procedures to be followed by the Sub-committee.

### **3. APPLICATION VARY A PREMISES LICENCE – Tomatitos [formerly The Wheatsheaf Inn], 38 Lion Street, Hay-on-Wye**

#### **The Applicants:**

Patricia Jones and Thalia Rouse  
Two Members of the public in support

#### **Interested parties:**

Mr and Mrs A. Chapman

The Licensing Officer presented the licensing authority's position as outlined in the report [copy filed with the signed minutes]. She advised that the Licensing section was happy with the consultation undertaken by the applicants. The Sub-Committee noted that the conditions recommended by Dyfed Powys Police [Section 4.1 of the report] had been accepted by the applicants.

The applicants explained that they had been operating since 31 May, 2012 as a Tapas Bar. The applicants were operating a different type of premises to the previous owners and were attracting a very different clientele. Since opening they had not had to call the police. The new licence would allow them to have the option for opening longer hours if they wished to. In response to questions they indicated that they would prefer to allow patrons to smoke in the rear garden than outside the front of the premises.

Mr and Mrs Chapman explained how the activity at the premises impacted on their lives with smokers in the garden and the noise from doors banging. They stated that the previous owner had promised many things but had not delivered and they felt that the proposed opening hours were too long.

The Licensing Officer referred to two letters received from previous objectors who now supported the application. The applicants also handed in a petition in support of the application.

All parties confirmed that they had been given sufficient opportunity to make their representations.

The Sub-Committee withdrew to consider, in private, the application and the evidence they had heard, with the support of the Clerk.

On their return the Clerk advised that the Committee had reached a decision taking into account the relevant written and verbal representations.

**RESOLVED that the application be granted subject to the conditions agreed with the Dyfed Powys Police Authority and to the beer garden being completely closed to customers from 23:00.**

The Clerk to the Sub-Committee advised the applicants and the local residents that she would confirm the decision in writing. She reminded them of their right to appeal and also the rights of the residents to call for a review of the Licence.

The Chair thanked all for attending

County Councillor D.R. Price  
Chair