



## **LICENSING AND GAMBLING ACTS SUB COMMITTEE**

**10.00 AM - MONDAY, 7 MARCH 2022**

**VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS**

1. Welcome and Roll Call

2. Declarations of Interest

### **Report of the Head of Legal Services**

3. Application for the Grant of a Premises Licence - Banwen RFC  
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4. Urgent Items

Any urgent items at the discretion of the Chairperson pursuant to Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

**K.Jones**  
**Chief Executive**

**Civic Centre**  
**Port Talbot**

**Tuesday, 1 March 2022**

**Committee Membership:**

**Chairperson: Councillor S.Paddison**

**Vice  
Chairperson: Councillor D.Whitelock**

**Members: Councillor R.Mizen**

**Substitute: Councillor C.Edwards**

**c.c. Superintendent of Police, Neath  
Chief Fire Officer, Neath**

## NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Licensing and Gambling Acts Sub Committee

7th March 2022

### Report of the Head of Legal Services – Craig Griffiths

#### Matter for Decision

**Wards Affected: Dyffryn Cellwen**

### Application for the Grant of a Premises Licence

#### Purpose of the Report

1. To consider representations received in respect of the following application made under the Licensing Act 2003.

Premises Name	Banwen R.F.C. Sports and Social Club
Premises Address	Banwen Park, Main Road, Dyffryn Cellwen, Neath, SA10 9HW
Applicant Name's	Banwen R.F.C. Sports and Social Club
Applicant Address	Banwen Park, Main Road, Dyffryn Cellwen, Neath, SA10 9HW
DPS Name	Leighton Philip John Thomas

## **Executive Summary**

2. This is an application for the grant of a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 by Banwen RFC Sports and Social Club. The premises licence will authorise regulated entertainment, late night refreshment and the sale of alcohol both on and off the premises.
3. Representations were received in respect of the application from South Wales Police, Environmental Health and Legal Regulatory Services Section requesting a reduction on the operating hours and additional conditions to be attached the licence.
4. The applicant has agreed to the change in operating hours and the imposition of additional conditions proposed by the responsible authorities; final determination of the application needs to be made by the Licensing and Gambling Acts Sub Committee.

## **Background**

5. The Licensing Act 2003 requires that any person wishing to provide licensable activities obtains a premises licence from the Licensing Section.
6. An application for the grant of a premises licence must be advertised in the prescribed manner and allows "Responsible Authorities" or "Other Persons" to submit representations in respect of the application.

## **Licence Application**

7. The applicant has included the following information in the application outlining the requested hours of operation and details on how the applicant proposes to promote the 4 licensing objectives.

### **Opening Hours**

Sunday – Thursday 07.00 – 00:30

Friday and Saturday 07.00 - 01.30

Bank Holiday Mondays & Christmas Eve from end of permitted hours to 01:30.

In the event of a match involving the home nation rugby union sides playing in the Rugby World Cup / British Lions tours / Welsh international representative rugby and football sides playing a match outside permitted hours the premises may open for licensing activities indoors only for 1 hour before the kick off and may remain open through to normal opening hours or in the event of a late kick off, remain open for licensable activities 1 hour after final whistle.

On Christmas Eve from the end of permitted hours to 01:30.

### **Plays**

Monday - Sunday 08:00 - 00:00

On Christmas Eve licensable activity to extend to 01:00 hours for Christmas Nativity / Community Pantomime performance.

### **Film**

Monday - Sunday 08:00 - 00:00

### **Indoor Sporting Events**

Monday - Sunday 08:00 - 00:00

### **Boxing or Wrestling Entertainments**

Monday - Sunday 08:00 - 00:00

### **Live Music**

Sunday - Thursday 08:00 - 00:00

Friday and Saturday 08:00 - 01:00

On Christmas Eve licensable activity to extend to 01:00 for Christmas nativity play or community pantomime.

On New Year's Eve from end of permitted hours to 01:00

On bank Holiday Monday's end of permitted hours to 00:30

## **Recorded Music**

Monday - Thursday 08:00 - 00:00

Friday and Saturday 08:00 - 01:00

On Christmas Eve licensable activity to extend to 01:00 for Christmas nativity play or community pantomime.

On New Year's Eve from end of permitted hours to 01:00.

On bank Holiday Monday's end of permitted hours to 00:30.

## **Performance of Dance**

Monday - Sunday 08:00 - 00:00

## **Anything of a similar description**

Monday - Sunday 08:00 - 00:00

## **Late Night Refreshment**

Sunday - Thursday 23:00 - 00:00

Friday and Saturday 23:00 - 00:00

## **Supply of Alcohol (On and Off Sales)**

Sunday - Thursday 08:00 - 00:00

Friday and Saturday 08:00 - 01:00

## **Licensing Objectives**

The following information has been provided by the applicant.

### **General**

The premises licence holder / designated premises supervisor and club's committee members will promote all four of the licensing objectives and statutory requirements to comply with all relevant provisions of the Licensing and Health and Safety legislations

### **The prevention of crime and disorder**

8. Drunk and disorderly persons will not be served or allowed to remain on the premises.
9. An incident recording book shall be maintained at the premises showing details of the date and time of all assaults, injuries, accidents or ejections. The book will be kept available for inspection by the Police and authorised officers of the Local Authority.

### **Public Safety**

10. Staff will be trained and aware of health and safety and fire precautions and emergency evacuation procedures.
11. All exits to be kept clear of obstructions.
12. Adequate lighting will be provided when premises is open.
13. Fire extinguishers and first aid facilities will be available.

### **The prevention of public nuisance**

14. No outdoor music or amplified sound to be played before 10:00 or after 21:00 hours.
15. Windows and doors will be kept closed during playing of amplified music.
16. Provide prominent signs at all exists requesting patrons to leave in a quiet and orderly manner so as to minimise impact on the local residents.

### **The protection of children from harm**

17. Staff shall be trained on challenge 25 any person under the age of 25 wishing to purchase alcohol will be asked to produce ID before such a sale is made.
18. A refusal book will be maintained recording the date and time of all attempts by persons under the age of 18 to purchase alcohol and will be kept available for inspection by the Police and authorised offices of the Local Authority

19. If a designated under 18 events is held at the main hall of the premises no alcohol will be allowed to be brought into or sold or consumed in that room of the premises during the event.
20. Committee members will supervise the external car park area of the club during such under 18 events and any persons found in possession of alcohol or other prohibited items will be prevented from entering the event.
21. Designated under 18 events will cease at 22:00.
22. No person over the age of 18 will be allowed to enter a designated under 18's event unless they are employed at the premises or are attending in a supervisory role i.e. designated premises supervisor / committee member / parent of guardian.

### **Relevant Representations**

23. Nick Bailey - South Wales Police
24. Peter Malough - Legal Regulatory Services
25. Rachel Matthews - Environmental Health
26. The above representations are reproduced at Appendix 1, 2 and 3.

### **Officer Report**

27. The application is for the grant of a premises licence for Banwen RFC. There is already an existing Club Premises Certificate in force for this premises.
28. Representations have been received from the Police, Legal Regulatory Services and Environmental Health
29. The Police and Legal Regulatory Services have requested additional conditions be attached to the licence and the representation from Environmental Health requested a reduction on the operating hours to 23:00 hours.
30. Negotiations between the applicant and Environmental Health resulted in an agreement for the hours to be reduced until midnight on weekends.



The applicant has also agreed to the conditions requested by the Police and Legal Regulatory Services.

### **Legal Impacts**

31. There is a right of appeal against the decision to the Magistrates' Court

### **Risk Management**

32. Not Applicable

### **Consultation**

33. Consultation has been undertaken in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

### **Recommendation**

34. The members determine the application after considering all relevant representations.

### **Reasons for Proposed Decision**

35. To ensure the licensing objectives as set out in the Licensing Act 2003 are promoted.

### **Implementation of Decision**

36. The decision is for immediate implementation

### **Appendices**

37. Appendix 1 - South Wales Police Representations
38. Appendix 2 - Legal Regulatory Services Section Representations
39. Appendix 3 - Environmental Health Representations

### **List of Background Papers**

40. Application for the grant of a premises licence

41. Neath Port Talbot Licensing Policy

[https://www.npt.gov.uk/media/4290/licensing\\_licensingact\\_policy2016.pdf](https://www.npt.gov.uk/media/4290/licensing_licensingact_policy2016.pdf)

42. Secretary of State's Guidance

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/705588/Revised\\_guidance\\_issued\\_under\\_section\\_182\\_of\\_the\\_Licensing\\_Act\\_2003\\_April\\_2018\\_.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/705588/Revised_guidance_issued_under_section_182_of_the_Licensing_Act_2003_April_2018_.pdf)

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CF31 3SU


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for non-emergencies dial **101**

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Neath Police Station.

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Mr N. Chapple,  
Legal Regulatory Services Manager,  
Neath Port Talbot Council.  
Civic Centre,  
Port Talbot.

24<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

**Police Observations to application for the Grant of a premises licence  
under the Licensing Act 2003.**

I wish to submit further representations in relation to the application for a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 at the below-referred licensed premises:

Name: Banwen RFC Sports & Social Club

Address: Banwen Park, Main Road, Dyffryn Cellwen, Neath, SA10 9EW

Having further considered the application on behalf of South Wales Police, I would like to outline further developments that have occurred following the Review hearing on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 following an application, on behalf of the Chief Officer of Police, for a review of the club premises certificate which resulted in the suspension of a qualifying club activity for a period of 6 weeks and the imposition of a number of new conditions.

The outcome of the Review impacts on my original representation as the licensing committee have now set out what they believe to be a proportionate set of conditions that promotes licensing objectives.

Mae Heddlu De Cymru yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg a Saesneg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

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I can confirm that the Chief Constable wishes to make further representations relating to the licensed conditions proposed within the original operating schedule, how they could be implemented and by whom they would be enforced and are made on the grounds that the granting of the licence in the form originally proposed will undermine the promotion of the key licensing objectives namely the Prevention of Crime and Disorder and Public Safety and the Protection of Children from Harm.

On the 3rd of February 2022 a meeting was held with Leighton Thomas (Club Chairman) and Norman Thomas (Club Secretary) to discuss these conditions so all parties fully understand what is required and expected.

This meeting was very beneficially and I am now more confident that they have put in place control measures that will help them operate the premises to the standard required. The application was discussed and I highlighted an area of concern I had relating to the inclusion of the playing fields within the licensed area and what this could allow the licence holder to do in the future, e.g., holding a music festival for 5,000+ people, and how I would propose to conditions it's use to limit the possibility of problems and risks being caused to the local community and to clearly set out how this area should be managed when it is used for licensable activities.

While they expressed the view that it was not their intention to hold any large-scale events on the fields, they did except that, without clear guidelines or conditions, it could be used in that way by any future licence holders should they choose to do so.

I would therefore request that the conditions implemented following the licence review be implemented in full, with condition 1 being amended to read as below;

1. In the event of an externally promoted and/or marketed event(s) held at the premises involving persons under the age of 18 the supply or consumption of alcohol shall not be permitted in the premises.
2. In the event of an externally promoted and/or marketed event(s) held at the premises involving persons under the age of 18 a minimum of 2 SIA registered door supervisors will be on duty from 30 minutes before the advertised start time of the event until 30 minutes after the advertised finish time of the event.
3. At all times, the premises licence holder will risk assess the need for SIA door supervisors and provide door supervision between such times and in such numbers as is required by the risk assessment. A written risk assessment document will be retained and provided to Police or Local Authority Officers on request.



4. A daily register of security personnel, if used, will be maintained. The register shall show the name, address and licence number of each door supervisor, and the dates and times that they operate. The register must be kept available for inspection by the Police and authorised officers of the Local Authority.
5. A Digital CCTV system shall be installed, or existing system maintained, at the premises which will be operational at all times when the premises is open to the public & be capable of providing pictures of evidential quality in all lighting conditions particularly facial identification. The CCTV recordings must be correctly timed and date stamped & retained for a period of 31 days and made available for viewing by the Police or an authorised Officer of the Licensing Authority on request.

The system must provide coverage of the following areas: -

- The exterior perimeter of the premises
  - The entrances and exits to the premises;
  - The interior public areas of the premises;
6. A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be on the premises at all times when the premises is open to the public. This staff member shall be able to show and provide Police, or Local Authority officer recent data or footage with the absolute minimum of delay following a lawful request.
  7. An operational log report must be maintained on every occasion that the premises is open for licensable which must be, endorsed by signature, indicating the system has been checked and is compliant. In the event of any failings the actions taken are to be recorded. In the event of technical failure of the CCTV equipment, the Premises Licence holder/DPS must report the failure to the Police/Local Authority.
  8. Provide prominent signs throughout the premises and at all exits requesting patrons to leave in a quiet and orderly manner so as to minimise impact on local residents.
  9. A Challenge 25 policy will apply and Proof of age will be required from any person who appears to be under the age of 25 years who attempts to purchase or consume alcohol. The means of verification should be a form of identification which bears their photograph, date of birth and a holographic mark and should be restricted to: -
    - P.A.S.S Accredited Proof of Age Schemes e.g., Citizen Card,
    - Proof GB
    - Photocard driving licence or passport.



10. Signage shall be displayed in a prominent position within the premises informing of the Challenge 25 policy
11. A register of refusals of alcohol will be maintained at the premises. The register shall be examined on a regular basis by the duty manager/ DPS and the date and time of each examination will be endorsed in the register. The register will be made available for inspection by the Police and other authorised officers of the council upon reasonable request.
12. Staff must receive accredited training in age related products before making sales of alcohol. Training will include their responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003, refresher training will take place at not less than 6 monthly intervals. All training will be recorded in either written or electronic format and made available to Police & Local Authority officers on request.
13. In the event of special occasions i.e., Fetes, Carnivals and Community days the supply of alcohol will only take place between 10.00hrs and 22.00hrs

I would also request that the following additional conditions are adopted in relation to the use of the outside licensed area which, as explained during the meeting with club officials would only come into effect for events for 500 people or more and so would not have any impact, financial or otherwise, on the day to day running of the club;

For events described as 'ad hoc special occasions' which would be events that are likely to, or are planned to attract 500 people or more, the following conditions apply;

14. A comprehensive Event Management Plan (EMP) must be produced and this must include an overview of the area of the premises to be used, setting out how the event will be managed, the precautions and risk assessments undertaken to cater for all reasonably foreseeable contingencies, and which will demonstrate the procedure, roles and specific responsibilities of the management team, security, and associated personnel.
15. All provisions contained in the EMP which relate to the promotion of the four licensing objectives will be regarded as conditions of the premises licence for the duration of the event.
16. The premises licence holder shall ensure that an adequate system of counting and recording person in and out of the event site to ensure that customer levels in all areas do not exceed the limit endorsed in the risk assessment and EMP.
17. The Premises Licence Holder must consult the Safety Advisory Group and shall take due account of any representations made by any Responsible Authority regarding the content of the Event Management Plan.





18. The EMP shall be submitted 2 months before the start of the event and shall be circulated in its final form to the Safety Advisory Group & Licensing Authority.
19. The EMP is a live work in progress document and needs to respond to last minute changes. The premises licence holder must keep the EMP up to date at times leading up to each event and in the event of any changes the Safety Advisory Group & Licensing Authority must be informed at the earliest opportunity.

I would request that the conditions relating to the use of an incident book mentioned in section M, under the heading Prevention of Crime & Disorder, be amended to read as follows;

20. An incident recording book shall be maintained at the premises showing details of the date and time of any assaults, injuries, accidents, interventions by staff or ejections, as well as details of the members of staff involved, the nature of the incident and the action/outcome. The book must be kept available for inspection by the Police and authorised officers of the Local Authority.

And that the following conditions be added;

21. The use of toughened glass or plastic drinking vessels in the outside areas of the premises shall be decided following a risk assessment by the DPS having due regard to relevant mitigating factors of the event taking place.

I would request that the conditions mentioned in section M, under the heading Prevention of Public Nuisance, be retained as proposed in the application operating schedule.

I would also request that the condition mentioned in section M, under the heading Protecting Children from Harm, relating to the terminal hour of any designated Under 18's events be retained as proposed in the application operating schedule and the remaining be removed as they have been superseded by conditions imposed by the Licensing Committee at the recent review hearing.

Should the conditions and amendments suggested above be accepted and implemented, in full, I would be confident that there are sufficiently robust measures in place to prevent any reoccurrences of the appalling problems that took place recently, that all staff have received appropriate training, that the management team are fully aware of their individual, and



collective, responsibilities in relation to the running of the club in a way that minimises the risks to the community and I would be happy for this application to proceed as amended.

Yours sincerely,

*Nick Bailey*

Police Licensing Officer  
(On behalf of the Chief Officer of Police)

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Dear Sir,

Further to my below representation regarding the grant of a new premises licence for Banwen RFC I would like to outline further developments that have occurred following the Review hearing.

As previously explained a new premises licence application was submitted at a contentious time for the club as there was a pending Review application (submitted by South Wales Police) that was yet to be determined.

This Review application has now been considered and resulted in the exclusion of alcohol from the club for 6 weeks and a number of conditions being imposed on to the club premises certificate.

The licensing committee considered the evidence before them and thought that this was appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

This outcome of the Review impacts on my original representation as the licensing committee have now set out what they believe is a proportionate set of conditions that promotes licensing objectives.

Following the decision made by the committee myself and the police licensing officer Nick Bailey went through some of the conditions imposed on the club certificate and related them to the new premises licence application.

On the 3rd of February 2022 we arranged a meeting with Leighton Thomas (Chairman) and Norman Thomas (Secretary) to discuss these conditions so all parties fully understand what is required and expected.

This meeting was very beneficially and I am satisfied that they have already put in place control measures that will help them operate to a higher standard.

I have attached the set of conditions that we went through at the meeting and request that the committee members of Banwen RFC formally approve to these being attached to the premises licence. As previously stated I believe these are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives.

These conditions should replace the control measures put forward under Section M in the operating schedule of the application.

Following agreement of these conditions I would be happy for this application to be approved by the licensing committee at any subsequent hearing.

Regards

Peter Malough

Uwchswyddog Rheoleiddio Cyfreithiol - Senior Legal Regulatory Officer

Gwasanaethau Rheoleiddio Cyfreithiol - Legal Regulatory Services

Cyfarwyddiaeth Gwasanaethau Corfforaethol & Cyllid / Finance & Corporate Services

Directorate

## Conditions for Premises Licence – Banwen RFC

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13. In the event of special occasions i.e. Fetes, Carnivals and Community days the supply of alcohol will only take place between 10.00hrs and 22.00hrs. For events described as 'ad hoc special occasions' which would be events that are likely to, or are planned to attract 500 people or more, the following conditions apply;

- A comprehensive Event Management Plan (EMP) must be produced and this must include an overview of the area of the premises to be used, setting out how the event will be managed, the precautions and risk assessments undertaken to cater for all reasonably foreseeable contingencies, and which will demonstrate the procedure, roles and specific responsibilities of the management team, security and associated personnel.
- All provisions contained in the EMP which relate to the promotion of the four licensing objectives will be regarded as conditions of the premises licence for the duration of the event.
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Dear Colleagues,

I wish to raise an objection on the grounds of Public Nuisance for allowing this premises to remain open until 1am.

Reasons:

1. The premises is in a quiet residential street, in a rural location. It would be out of character for the area, for a club to be operating until 1am.
2. Customers will be leaving the area from 1am, which may causes disturbance after 1am and may graduate towards 2am, once the area is completely cleared of all customers.
3. As we know; persons who have consumed alcohol have reduced inhibitions which often leads to raised voices: shouting, singing, arguments, and uninhibited behaviour such as: fighting and general 'horseplay'.
4. I do not have confidence that the management will be able to prevent these disturbances occurring, and I therefore object., as being disturbed after 1am is unacceptable.
5. Due to it's location in a quiet area; The club should operate no later than 23:00 in order to protect the night time hours, when the reasonable person would expect to be able to sleep peacefully, without being woken by the activity at, and to and from the premises.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Matthews  
Environmental Health Officer

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