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Meeting

CENTRAL LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

Date and Time

10.30 am, THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 2020

Location

Virtual Meeting

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CENTRAL LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

MEMBERSHIP (3)

Councillors

Elfed Williams (Chair)

Steve Collings

Annwen Hughes

Edgar Wyn Owen (Substitute)

Local Member

Councillor Dafydd Meurig

A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

To receive any declaration of personal interest.

3. URGENT ITEMS

To note any items that are a matter of urgency in the view of the Chairman for consideration.

4. APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE

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Aber Falls Distillery, Station Road, Abergwyngregyn

To consider the above application

PROCEDURES FOR LICENSING VARIATION HEARINGS

1. A written report will be presented by the Licensing Section (with recommendation).
2. Members of the Sub-committee may ask questions of the Council's representative.
3. At the Chairman's discretion the applicant and/or his representative may ask questions of the Council's representative.
4. The applicant and/or his representative may expand upon the application and call witnesses
5. Members of the Sub-committee may ask questions of the applicant and/or his representative
6. There will be an invitation for each consultee to support any written observations
7. Members of the Sub-committee may ask questions of the consultees.
8. At the Chairman's discretion the Council's representative and the applicant or his representative may summarise their case.

All are reminded of the four principles of the Licensing Act 2003 to be considered in all deliberations, namely:

- 1) Crime and Disorder Prevention;**
- 2) Public Safety;**
- 3) Public Nuisance Prevention; and**
- 4) Protection of Children from Harm.**

Agenda Item 4

COMMITTEE:	CENTRAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE
DATE:	26/11/20
TITLE:	APPLICATION FOR PREMISES LICENCE - ABER FALLS DISTILLERY
PURPOSE:	FOR DECISION
AUTHOR:	HEAD OF ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

1. APPLICATION RECEIVED

- 1.1 Attached is an application for a premises licence for Aber Falls Distillery, Station Road, Abergwynnregyn, LL33 0LB, by the applicant Christopher James Wright. The applicant is seeking to vary an existing premises licence (for a licensed shop for the sale of alcohol off-site), to amend hours and enable the drinking of alcohol on the site. A new visitor centre, bistro and bar have been created and it is intended to offer space to hire for private events or activities.
- 1.2 The application is made in relation to the sale of alcohol on and off the premises, film showings, live and recorded music, dance performances and the provision of late night refreshments.
- 1.3 Officers from the Licensing Authority are satisfied there is sufficient evidence that the application has been submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 and the relevant regulations and is therefore valid.
- 1.4 One objection to the application has been received, and the applicant has agreed to public protection conditions in terms of a compromise to the opening hours. The Police and the Fire and Rescue Service had no observations or objections.

See the attached table for details of the proposed hours:

Current Licence			Proposed Licence		
Opening Hours					
Sunday	08:00	- 18:00	Sunday	08:00	- 22:00
Monday	08:00	- 18:00	Monday	08:00	- 22:00
Tuesday	08:00	- 18:00	Dydd Mawrth/Tuesday	08:00	- 22:00
Wednesday	08:00	- 18:00	Dydd Mercher/Wednesday	08:00	- 22:00
Thursday	08:00	- 18:00	Dydd Iau/Thursday	08:00	- 22:00
Friday	08:00	- 18:00	Dydd Gwener/Friday	08:00	- 22:00
Saturday	08:00	- 18:00	Dydd Sadwrn/Saturday	08:00	- 22:00
Licensable Activities:					
			Films: Indoors		
			Sunday		-
			Monday		-
			Tuesday		-
			Wednesday		-
			Thursday	08:00	- 22:00
			Friday		-
			Saturday		-
			Live Music: Indoors and Outdoors		
			Sunday		-

	Monday	-	
	Tuesday	-	
	Wednesday	-	
	Thursday	12:00	- 00:00
	Friday	12:00	- 00:00
	Saturday	12:00	- 00:00
	Recorded Music: Indoors		
	Sunday	10:00	- 22:00
	Monday	10:00	- 22:00
	Tuesday	10:00	- 22:00
	Wednesday	10:00	- 22:00
	Thursday	10:00	- 22:00
	Friday	10:00	- 22:00
	Saturday	10:00	- 22:00
	Performance of Dance:		
	Sunday	10:00	- 22:00
	Monday	-	
	Tuesday	-	
	Wednesday	-	
	Thursday	-	
	Friday	-	
	Saturday	10:00	- 22:00
	Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g): Indoors and Outdoors		
	Sunday	12:00	- 22:00
	Monday	-	
	Tuesday	-	
	Wednesday	-	
	Thursday	12:00	- 22:00
	Friday	12:00	- 22:00
	Saturday	12:00	- 22:00
	Late Night Indoors and Outdoors		
	Sunday	10:00	- 22:00
	Monday	-	
	Tuesday	-	
	Wednesday	-	
	Thursday	10:00	- 22:00
	Friday	10:00	- 22:00
	Saturday	10:00	- 22:00
Supply of Alcohol: Both on and off the Premises	Supply of Alcohol: Both on and off the Premises		
Sunday	08:00	-	18:00
Monday	08:00	-	18:00
Tuesday	08:00	-	18:00
Wednesday	08:00	-	18:00
Thursday	08:00	-	18:00
Friday	08:00	-	18:00
Saturday	08:00	-	18:00
Sunday	08:00	-	00:00
Monday	08:00	-	00:00
Tuesday	08:00	-	00:00
Wednesday	08:00	-	00:00
Thursday	08:00	-	00:00
Friday	08:00	-	00:00
Saturday	08:00	-	00:00

2. Measures recommended by the applicant to promote the licensing objectives

Measures recommended by the applicant include the following -

- The site access will be secured with a locked gate, and there will be access to the premises through a door secured by staff members. A CCTV System will be operational and regular security patrols undertaken.
- A Challenge 25 alcohol sales policy is already in place, and the distillery will comply with the Drinkaware policies and the codes of the *Portman* group.
- There is already a comprehensive Health and Safety policy in place and the fire exits are in the appropriate locations. Customer numbers will be limited to prevent overcrowding.
- The property is not located near a residential area and we will be closing doors and windows and will minimise noise for the few nearby residences.

See full details of the recommended measures in section **M** of the application.

3. CONSULTATION

The application was consulted upon and the following responses were received -

RESPONSES	REPRESENTATIONS
Neighbouring residents	E-mail – objection
Community Councillor x 2	E-mail – objection and observations
Public Protection	Observations and conditions

3.2 Nearby residents and community council

Three e-mails have been received objecting to the application based on the licensing objectives of:

- Public nuisance prevention
- Public safety

Concerns were expressed regarding anti-social matters in terms of light pollution and noise, especially in relation to outdoor events with entertainment and music. Concern has been expressed regarding the definition of occasional events and this would also increase traffic and generate further noise. Due to the narrow location of the site there is concern in terms of the access and therefore also the safety of the public, as lorries load and unload goods there.

Public Protection

Observations and conditions have been received from the Public Protection Department. The applicant has agreed to compromise by cutting the opening hours and the supply of alcohol, he has also removed live music, dance performances and/or anything of a similar description from the application. It was agreed that a temporary event notice application would have to be submitted if the applicant intends to hold a festival or any similar event, and the Health and Safety Policy needs to be reviewed in relation to transport and customers on the site.

4 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that this Committee approves the application - in accordance with what was agreed with the Police and the Public Protection service; and in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003.