

28<sup>th</sup> May 2015

## **RE: Bridgend Inn, Gilwern**

Dear Leigh

I am writing to you following your letter of 15<sup>th</sup> May, regarding the ongoing situation at the Bridgend Inn in Gilwern.

We take the behaviour of our tenants very seriously and firmly believe that a good pub needs to be at the heart of its community and not at loggerheads with local residents. For that very reason we have taken a course of action that will lead to the tenant leaving the premises on Tuesday  $23^{rd}$  June 2015, which is well before the end of the legally required notice period of 6 months. The action we have taken will undoubtedly leave the pub closed for a period of time while we search for a new tenant. Whilst regrettable, we believe that this action is required in order to bring the situation to a close and is simply the right thing to do.

In light of our decision to pursue this action, the implications it will have for Felinfoel Brewery as well as detailed consultations with our company's licensing solicitors, we have decided not to apply for a minor variation regarding internal CCTV.

We are fully committed to searching for a quality operator who will be able to trade the pub successfully within the terms of the licence and who will look to welcome all the members of the local community.

Should there continue to be issues relating to neighbourhood complaints once we have a new tenant on site we will, as a matter of course, reconsider things once again but I am confident that with the right operator the pub can be an asset to the community in Gilwern.

Yours sincerely

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