MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Licensing and Gambling Committee held at Council Chamber, County Hall, The Rhadyr USK on Tuesday, 8th July, 2025 at 10.00 am

PRESENT: County Councillor Tudor Thomas (Chair)

County Councillor Jayne McKenna (Vice Chair)

County Councillors: Tony Easson, Jane Lucas, M. Newell,

Jackie Strong and Armand Watts

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Linda O'Gorman Principal Licensing Officer Nicola Perry Senior Democracy Officer

APOLOGIES:

County Councillors Christopher Edwards and Alistair Neill

1. Declarations of Interest

None.

2. Gambling Act 2005 - Premises Licence Fees 2025/26

The Principal Licensing Officer presented the report for the Licensing and Gambling Committee to agree the fees for this Authority in relation to Premises Licences under the Gambling Act 2005 for 21st May 2025 – 20th May 2026.

In response to a question asking if we were keeping in line with inflation and covering costs the officer explained that it is dependent on the work that each authority does, and how many application forms acts as a formula to assess fees, which is approved by all Wales. A number of factors are considered to determine fees such as how many meetings and how much training has been given. As MCC have had no applications since 2010 the fees have slightly decreased.

The Committee resolved to accept the recommendations:

- i) The fees and charges detailed in Appendix A of the report be approved and have a commencement date 21st May 2025; and
- ii) The fees are subsequently reviewed annually.

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The meeting ended at 10.10 am