NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REFUSE AN APPLICATION FOR AN UNLICENSED FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE PERMIT

This notice is issued in accordance with regulations made under Schedule 10 Section 10(1) of the Gambling Act 2005

City and County of Swansea
Licensing Division
Housing and Public Health Department
Civic Centre
Oystermouth Road
Swansea, SA1 3SN.

The City and County of Swansea gives Notice of Intention to refuse an application for a permit of the following type:

UNLICENSED FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE PERMIT

made by:

Mr C J Mcghan

of the following address:

The proposed premises to which this notice applies are:

Laser Amusements, 48 The Kingsway, Swansea, SA1 5HG.

Reasons for decision:

After careful consideration of the application, the supplementary information received with the application and having regard to all the representations made it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives to issue notice of intention to refuse the uFEC permit.

This Authority has had particular regard to the location of the proposed premises whilst considering this application and is not satisfied that the following Licensing Objective can be met in accordance with the Gambling Act 2005:

Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

This reason is given due to the location of the premises being in close proximity, next door, to an established premises used to provide Counselling, advice and guidance on all matters including gambling harm to vulnerable persons, specifically children.

There is also concern that whilst the vulnerable persons are visiting the established counselling service they may use the uFEC premises, some of which are vulnerable

due to their financial circumstances which may exacerbate their issues.

In accordance with regulations made under Schedule 10 Section 10(2) of the Gambling Act 2005, you must be given the opportunity to make oral representations, written representations or both, please send any representations to this notice to the Licensing Authority, Civic Centre, Oystermouth Road, Swansea. SA1 3SN.

A Statutory Licensing Sub Committee has been arranged for Monday 10th December 2018 at 10am at the Council Chamber, Guildhall, Swansea, SA1 4PE where all representations will be heard. A separate notification inviting you to attend the Committee will be sent in due course along with a copy of the report to be considered.

Should you have any queries in relation to this Notice please contact the Licensing Section via 01792 635600 or evh.licensing@swansea.gov.uk