ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 25th September, 2012

Councillor M. Paling (Chair)

Councillors: B.M. Andrews N. Brooks G.V. Clarke R. Ellis

A.J. Gillam(a)

J. Hollingsworth(a)

M. Hope(a)

M. Lawrence

J.M. Parr(a)

P.R. Key

B.S.R. Miller

S. Poole

H.T.N. Wheeler

Officers in Attendance: Fran Whyley, Paul Gibbs and Kevin Nealon

56 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for Absence were received from Councillors Gillam, Hollingsworth, Hope, Parr and Brookes (late)

TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4 SEPTEMBER 2012.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

58 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

59 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

60 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - BSS

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a change of circumstances for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License from BSS.

BSS attended the meeting with his Solicitor and addressed the

Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve BSSs application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence, but to issue a warning as to the consequences of any further convictions or appearances before the Committee.

5.00pm Kevin Nealon left the meeting

61 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - TB

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for renewal of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License from TB.

TB attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve TBs application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence, but to issue a warning as to the consequences of any further convictions or appearances before the Committee.

5.25pm Councillor Lawrence left the meeting5.30pm Councillor Brookes entered the meeting

62 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - JN

5.32pm Councillor Wheeler left the meeting

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License from JN.

JN attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve JNs application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence, but to issue a warning as to the consequences of any further convictions or appearances before the Committee.

5.40pm Councillor Wheeler returned to the meeting

63 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - PSD

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License from PSD.

PSD attended the meeting with his sister and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve PSDs application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence.

64 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - CHMS

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a change of circumstances for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License from CHMS.

CHMS attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the

Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve CHMSs application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence, subject to the necessary checks, and to issue a warning as to the consequences of any further convictions or appearances before the Committee.

65 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MH

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License from MH.

MH attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve MHs application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence, but to issue a warning as to the consequences of any further convictions or appearances before the Committee.

6.38pm Councillor Lawrence returned to the meeting

66 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - AH

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License from AH.

AH did not attend the meeting.

RESOLVED:

To defer consideration of the application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licences from AH to a future meeting of the Committee.

67 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MA

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a change of circumstances for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License from MA.

MA attended the meeting with his wife and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To refuse the application from MA for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence on the basis that he is not a fit and proper person to hold a licence because of his previous convictions