

## ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 4th December, 2012

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| Councillors: | Councillor M Paling (Chair) |               |
|              | B. M Andrews                | P R Key       |
|              | N Brooks                    | M Lawrence    |
|              | G V Clarke                  | B S R Miller  |
|              | R Ellis (a)                 | J M Parr      |
|              | A J Gillam                  | S Poole       |
|              | J Hollingsworth             | H T N Wheeler |
|              | M Hope                      |               |

Officers in attendance: Lyn Sugden, Paul Gibbs and Andy Callingham

### 82 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ellis.

### 83 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 06 NOVEMBER 2012.

#### RESOLVED:

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

### 84 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

### 85 NOTICES SERVED

#### RESOLVED:

To note the report.

### 86 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

### 87 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

#### RESOLVED:

That the members being satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act

1972 the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the ensuing reports on the grounds that the report involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

**88 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - SM**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director – David Wakelin regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver’s Licence from SM.

SM did attend 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 refuse the application from SM for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver’s Licence on the basis that he is not considered to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence because he admitted to using drugs within the last 5 years.

SM was advised of his right of appeal against the decision of the Committee.

**89 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - AHT**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director – David Wakelin regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver’s Licence from AHT.

AHT did attend 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 AHT’s application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver’s Licence subject to the necessary checks.

**90 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - AA**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director – David Wakelin regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver’s Licence from AA.

AA did attend 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 refuse the application from AA’s for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver’s Licence on the basis that he is not considered to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence because of his previous convictions, his failure to disclose some convictions, and because the Committee was not satisfied that he was not a danger to the public due to possible use of drugs.

AA was advised of his right of appeal against the decision of the Committee

**91 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - AH**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director – David Wakelin regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver’s Licence from AH.

AH did attend 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 AH’s application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver’s Licence subject to the necessary checks.

**92 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - DJD**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director –

David Wakelin regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from DJD.

DJD did attend 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 DJD's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence subject to the necessary checks.

**93 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MAR**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director – David Wakelin regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from MAR.

MAR did attend 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 MAR's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence subject to the necessary checks.

Councillor Andrews left the meeting.

**94 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - SA**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director – David Wakelin regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from SA.

SA did not attend the meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

To defer consideration of the application for a Hackney

Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from SA to a future meeting of the Committee; if he does not attend the next appointment then his application will be treated as withdrawn

**95 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - BSJ**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director – David Wakelin regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from BSJ.

BSJ attended the meeting with his representative, Mr Simon Chaplin, and both 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 BSJ's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence, subject to necessary checks and to issue a warning as to the consequences of any further convictions or appearances before the Committee