

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 9 December 2014

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Meredith Lawrence Councillor Cheryl Hewlett
 Councillor Bruce Andrews Councillor Mike Hope
 Councillor Sandra Barnes Councillor John Parr
 Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor Stephen Poole
 Councillor Roxanne Ellis

Absent: Councillor Tony Gillam, Councillor Gary Gregory,
 Councillor Barbara Miller and Councillor Carol Pepper

Officers in Attendance: P Gibbs and D Blasdale

146 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies were received from Councillors Gregory, Miller and Pepper.

**147 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE
MEETING HELD ON 25 NOVEMBER 2014.**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record, subject to the following amendment:

1. That Councillor Barnes be marked as absent with apologies.

148 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

149 ADVERTISING ON LICENSED VEHICLES - DOOR PANELS

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, detailing a request made by Albatross Cars to display additional material on their vehicles door panels.

RESOLVED:

To approve the request from Albatross Cars to display the slogan "Voted Derbyshire's best taxi firm by the people Derby Telegraph 2014", as shown on the proposed sign.

150 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

151 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

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 the 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.

152 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - RIA

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

RIA attended the meeting, accompanied by a friend/interpreter, and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines and took into consideration the circumstances of the event. On the basis of what it heard, the Committee was satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances existed which warranted departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve RIA's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

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

MH did not attend the meeting.

RESOLVED:

To treat the application from MH as withdrawn as a result of a failure to

attend Committee on two occasions.

154 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MF

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

MF attended the meeting, accompanied by his wife, and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines and took into consideration the circumstances of the event. On the basis of what it heard, the Committee was satisfied on balance that exceptional circumstances existed which warranted departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve MF's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Councillor Ellis entered the meeting.

155 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MHA

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

MHA attended the meeting, accompanied by a friend, and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines and took into consideration the circumstances of the event. On the basis of what it heard, the Committee was satisfied on balance that exceptional circumstances existed which warranted departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve MHA's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

156 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE

HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MA

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

MA attended the meeting accompanied by his wife who addressed the Committee on his behalf.

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

RESOLVED:

To refuse MA's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence on the grounds that he is not a fit and proper person.

MA was advised of his right to appeal against the decision of the Committee.

157 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MN

MN did not attend the meeting.

RESOLVED:

To treat the application from MN as withdrawn as a result of a failure to attend Committee on two occasions.

158 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - CBA

CBA did not attend the meeting.

RESOLVED:

To treat the application from CBA as withdrawn as a result of a failure to attend Committee on two occasions.

159 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MU

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private

Hire Driver's Licence from MU.

MU attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines and took into consideration the circumstances of the event. On the basis of what it heard, the Committee was satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances existed which warranted departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve MU's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence, with a warning as to the necessary consequences of any further convictions or appearances before committee.

The meeting finished at 6.45 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: