

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 7 April 2015

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Meredith Lawrence Councillor Cheryl Hewlett
 Councillor Bruce Andrews Councillor Mike Hope
 Councillor Sandra Barnes Councillor Barbara Miller
 Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor John Parr
 Councillor Roxanne Ellis Councillor Carol Pepper
 Councillor Tony Gillam Councillor Stephen Poole
 Councillor Gary Gregory

Officers in Attendance: P Gibbs, K Nealon, S Steventon and F Whyley

201 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

No apologies for absence were received.

202 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 MARCH 2015.

RESOLVED:

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

203 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

204 NOTICES SERVED

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

205 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

206 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.

207 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - AN

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

AN attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

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

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

Councillor Andrews left the meeting.

208 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - TI

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

TI attended the meeting, with a friend 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.

Councillor Hewlett left the meeting during consideration of the item and abstained from the vote.

RESOLVED:

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

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

Councillors Ellis, Parr, Pepper and Poole left the meeting.

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

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

FF attended the meeting, with his solicitor who addressed the Committee on his behalf.

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 FF's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

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

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

MHH 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 MHH's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Councillor Ellis entered the meeting.

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**APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE
HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - PK**

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

PK 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 PK's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Signed by Chair:
Date: