

**MINUTES  
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday 5 May 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 Carol Pepper  
                  Councillor Roxanne Ellis           Councillor Stephen Poole  
                  Councillor Tony Gillam

Absent:                           Councillor Gary Gregory and Councillor John Parr

Officers in Attendance:       R Pentlow and D Blasdale

**212           APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Parr and Gregory.

**213           TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE  
MEETING HELD ON 07 APRIL 2015**

**RESOLVED:**

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

1. That Councillor Lawrence be marked as present.
2. That S. Steventon be recorded as an officer in attendance in place of R. Pentlow.

**214           DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

None.

**215           ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.**

None.

**216           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.

**217 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE- JDW**

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

JDW attended the meeting, accompanied by his partner who addressed 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 exceptional circumstances existed which warranted departure from this policy.

**RESOLVED:**

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

**218 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - KZP**

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

KZP 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 exceptional circumstances existed which warranted departure from this policy.

**RESOLVED:**

To approve KZP's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence, with a warning as to the necessary consequences of failure to declare any convictions or pending prosecutions to the

Licensing Department.

**219 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MMS**

MMS did not attend the meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

To treat the application from MMS as withdrawn as a result of a failure to attend Committee on two occasions.

**220 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES/APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE- IF**

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

IF 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 revoke IF's license without immediate effect and to refuse IF's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence on the grounds that he is not a fit and proper person.

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

The meeting finished at 5.50 pm

Signed by Chair:  
Date: