

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 7 August 2018

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Bruce Andrews Councillor John Truscott
 Councillor Tammy Bisset Councillor Paul Wilkinson
 Councillor Carol Pepper

Absent: Councillor Nicki Brooks, Councillor Sandra Barnes,
 Councillor Roxanne Ellis, Councillor Alex Scroggie
 and Councillor Paul Stirland

Officers in Attendance: R Pentlow, P Gibbs, C Allcock, L Chaplin and
 L Mellors

20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Brooks, Barnes, Scroggie and Stirland.

**21 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE
MEETING HELD ON 3 JULY 2018**

RESOLVED:

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

22 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

23 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

24 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.

**25 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE /
PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER (MTAK)**

Consideration was given to a report by Director of Health and Community Wellbeing, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, regarding an application for a change of circumstances of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for MTAK.

MTAK 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 exceptional circumstances existed which warranted departure from policy.

RESOLVED:

To suspend the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence held by MTAK for 56 days without immediate effect and to give MTAK 21 days to surrender his licence and issue with the following warnings:

- 1) To ensure all terms and conditions of his licence are read
- 2) To renew future applications in a reasonable amount of time before his driver's licence expires
- 3) Notify the Council of any pending or actual convictions

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

**26 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE /
PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER (MMS)**

Consideration was given to a report by Director of Health and Community Wellbeing, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, regarding an application for a change of circumstances of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for MMS.

MMS attended the meeting along with a friend and both 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 policy.

RESOLVED:

To suspend the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence held by MMS for 56 days without immediate effect and to give MMS 21 days to surrender his licence.

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

5.40pm Councillor Pepper left the meeting.

27 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE (RA)

Consideration was given to a report by Director of Health and Community Wellbeing, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for RA.

RA 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 policy.

RESOLVED:

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

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

28 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE (HN)

Consideration was given to a report by Director of Health and Community Wellbeing, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for HN.

HN attended the meeting along with his wife and both 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 policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve RSA's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for 1 year.

The meeting finished at 6.25 pm

Signed by Chair:

Date: