

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 3 September 2019

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor Sam Smith
 Councillor Pat Bosworth Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton
 Councillor Roxanne Ellis Councillor John Truscott
 Councillor Des Gibbons Councillor Paul Wilkinson
 Councillor Julie Najuk

Absent: Councillor Boyd Elliott

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

27 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Elliott.

28 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 AUGUST 2019.

RESOLVED:

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

29 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

30 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

31 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.

32 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE (GSQ)

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 GSQ.

GSQ attended the meeting along with a friend who addressed the Committee.

RESOLVED:

To defer GSQ's application to a future Committee.

33 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE (AM)

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Health and Community Wellbeing, which had been circulated prior to the incident, regarding a change of circumstance of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License for AM.

AM attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making it's 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 AM for 28 days, giving AM 21 days to surrender the licence. With a warning that should AM come before the Committee again for any future offences his driver's licence will be revoked.

AM was advised of the right of appeal against the decision of the Committee.

The meeting finished at 5.15 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: