

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 4 November 2025

Councillor Alison Hunt (Chair)

Present:	Councillor Marje Paling Councillor Rachael Ellis Councillor Andrew Meads Councillor Julie Najuk Councillor Sue Pickering	Councillor Alex Scroggie Councillor Martin Smith Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton Councillor Paul Wilkinson
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Absent: Councillor Roxanne Ellis

Officers in Attendance: C Allcock, B Hopewell, A Hutchinson and R Towlson

38 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 OCTOBER 2025.

RESOLVED:

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

39 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

40 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Roxanne Ellis.

41 APPLICATION FOR STREET TRADING CONSENT FOR ARNOLD CHRISTMAS MARKET 2025

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Place, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking approval for a Street Trading Consent for an Arnold Christmas Market to trade in a consent street.

RESOLVED to:

Approve the application for a Street Trading Consent for an Arnold Christmas Market to trade in a consent street in Arnold on:

- Friday 21 November 2025 10:00hrs until 19:30hrs

- Saturday 29th November 2025 – 09:00hrs until 15:00hrs
- Saturday 6th, 13th and 20th December 09:00hrs until 15:00hrs

Councillor Scroggie joined the meeting.

42 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

43 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.

44 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE MH

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of Place, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, regarding an application for a one year joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for MH.

MH attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making the decision the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines.

RESOLVED:

To refuse MH's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

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

45 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS LICENCE NO. 1005. BF

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Place, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, regarding an application for a

one year Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers License and a change of circumstances following information received about the holder of a Joint Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver's Licence.

BF did not attend the meeting.

It was noted that the application for a one year Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers License had been withdrawn.

Members considered the change of circumstances surrounding BF's current license.

RESOLVED:

Members noted that BF did not attend the meeting, and therefore they did not feel able to consider the information contained within the report. It was further noted that the licence was due to expire at midnight.

In light of the non-attendance and the imminent expiry of the licence, Members resolved to take no action at this time. This decision was made without consideration of the substantive merits of the Licensing Officer's report, so as not to prejudice any future determination should circumstances change.

The meeting finished at 5.22 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: