## MINUTES ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

## Tuesday 4 July 2017

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Councillor Sandra Barnes	Councillor Carol Pepper
Councillor Gary Gregory	Councillor Alex Scroggie
Councillor Barbara Miller	Councillor Jane Walker
Councillor John Parr	Councillor Meredith Lawrence
	Councillor Gary Gregory Councillor Barbara Miller

Absent: Councillor Nicki Brooks, Councillor Bruce Andrews and Councillor Bob Collis

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

#### 90 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Andrews and Collis.

Councillor Lawrence attended the meeting as a substitute for Councillor Brooks, who had given her apologies.

## 91 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 MAY 2017

#### **RESOLVED:**

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

## 92 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

## 93 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.

## 94 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE (IR)

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 IR.

IR 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 approve IR's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for a period of 1 year. And issued with a warning to declare all future convictions.

## 95 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE NO. 2766

RSA did not attend the meeting.

#### **RESOLVED**:

To defer consideration of the application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from RSA to a future meeting of the Committee. If RSA does not attend his next appointment, his application will be treated as withdrawn.

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# CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE NO. 3725

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

GQ attended the meeting with his solicitor 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 exceptional circumstances existed which warranted departure from policy.

#### **RESOLVED**:

To approve GQ's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for a period of 3 years. And issued with a severe warning that the Council are informed of any further convictions.

5.40pm Councillor Barnes left the Council Chamber.

## 97 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS' LICENCE (MJB)

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 MJB.

MJB 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 approve MJB's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for a period of 1 year.

## 98 APPLICATION FOR A 1 YEAR - JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS' LICENCE - ASB

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 ASB.

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

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

## 99 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

The meeting finished at 6.35 pm

Signed by Chair: Date: