MINUTES ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday 5 June 2018

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Bruce Andrews Councillor Alex Scroggie

Councillor Sandra Barnes Councillor Paul Stirland
Councillor Tammy Bisset Councillor John Truscott
Councillor Roxanne Ellis Councillor Paul Wilkinson

Absent: Councillor Nicki Brooks and Councillor Carol Pepper

Officers in Attendance: P Gibbs, L Mellors and F Whyley

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Brooks and Pepper.

Councillor Gregory and Poole attended as substitutes.

TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1 MAY 2018.

RESOLVED:

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

Under Present remove Councillor Collis.

3 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

4 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

5 REQUEST TO BE EXEMPT FROM DISPLAYING FIXED PLATES - JASON RITCHIE

Consideration was given to a report by Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Private Hire Operator's Licence Request from Exemption for displaying a licence plate from JR.

RESOLVED:

To approve JR's application for a Private Hire Operator's Licence Exemption from displaying a licence plate.

Councillor Ellis entered the Chamber.

6 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.

7 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - IA

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 Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for IA.

IA attended the meeting 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 revoke the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence held by IA without immediate effect and to give IA 21 days to surrender his licence.

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

8 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - WA

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 WA.

WA attended the meeting 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 WA's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for 1 year.

9 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - FS

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 FS.

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

10 APPLICATION FOR A THREE YEAR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - SY

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 SY.

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

The meeting finished at 5.55 pm

Signed by Chair: Date: