

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 17 December 2013

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Meredith Lawrence Councillor Tony Gillam
 Councillor Sandra Barnes Councillor Mike Hope
 Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor Barbara Miller
 Councillor Ged Clarke Councillor Henry Wheeler

Absent: Councillor Bruce Andrews, Councillor Roxanne Ellis,
 Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth, Councillor John Parr
 and Councillor Stephen Poole

Officers in Attendance: P Gibbs, D Blasdale and K Nealon

113 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Andrews, Ellis and Hollingsworth.

114 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 NOVEMBER 2013.

RESOLVED:

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

115 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

116 NOTICES SERVED

RESOLVED:

To note the contents of the report and request that Officers provide Members with a presentation on food hygiene issues.

Councillors Brooks and Wheeler entered the meeting.

117 ADVERTISEMENT ON LICENSED VEHICLES - DOOR PANELS

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, requesting Committee's approval of signage to be displayed on Albatross Cars' vehicles.

RESOLVED:

To approve the sign at Item 2 of the appendix for use by Albatross Cars, and reject items 1,3 and 4.

Councillor Clarke left the meeting.

118 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

119 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.

120 APPLICATION FOR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - SA

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from SA.

SA 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 this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve SA's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

121 APPLICATION FOR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - SJ

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from SJ.

SJ 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 this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve SJ's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence with a warning as to the necessary consequences of any further convictions or appearances before Committee.

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APPLICATION FOR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - AH

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from AH.

AH 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 this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve AH's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence with a warning as to the necessary consequences of any further convictions or appearances before Committee.

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CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - TPD

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a change of circumstance of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from TPD.

TPD 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 this policy.

RESOLVED:

To revoke TPD's Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License without immediate effect, on the grounds that he is no longer considered a fit and proper person and to give TPD 21 days to surrender his licence.

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

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CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - KH

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a change of circumstance of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from KH.

KH 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 this policy.

RESOLVED:

To revoke KH's Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License without immediate effect, on the grounds that he is no longer considered a fit and proper person and to give KH 21 days to surrender his licence.

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

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CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - OA

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a change of circumstance of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from OA.

OA 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 this policy.

RESOLVED:

To revoke OA's Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License without immediate effect, on the grounds that he is no longer considered a fit and proper person and to give OA 21 days to surrender his licence.

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

126 APPLICATION FOR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - TUR

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from TUR.

TUR 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 this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve TUR's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

127 APPLICATION FOR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - JH

Apologies were received from JH who was unable to attend the meeting.

RESOLVED:

To defer consideration of the application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Driver's Licence from JH to a future meeting of the committee.

The meeting finished at 6.55 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: