MINUTES ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday 3 December 2019

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor Des Gibbons

Councillor Pat Bosworth
Councillor Boyd Elliott
Councillor Rachael Ellis
Councillor Roxanne Ellis
Councillor Andrew Ellwood
Councillor Sam Smith
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Absent: Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton and Councillor John

Truscott

Officers in Attendance: L Mellors, R Pentlow, C Allcock and K Nealon

50 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies of absence were received from Councillors Towsey-Hinton and Truscott. Councillors Rachael Ellis and Ellwood attended substitutes.

TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5 NOVEMBER 2019.

RESOLVED:

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

52 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

53 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

54 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.

55 APPLICATION FOR A THREE YEAR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - IH

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 IH.

IH attended the meeting along with his friend and former employer who 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 refuse IH's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence on the grounds that he is not a fit and proper person.

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

56 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MHA

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

MHA attended the meeting along with his wife, 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 revoke MHA's Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence on the grounds of failing his medical examination.

57 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - AAR

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

AAR 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 AAR's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for one year.

58 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - NA

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

NA 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 NA's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for one year, with a warning regarding his future conduct.

Signed by Chair: Date: