MINUTES ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday 10 January 2023

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor Alex Scroggie

Councillor Pat Bosworth
Councillor Rachael Ellis
Councillor Des Gibbons
Councillor Paul Wilkinson

Councillor Julie Najuk

Absent: Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton

Officers in L Chaplin, B Hopewell, T Najuk and R Pentlow

Attendance:

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Towsey-Hinton.

TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29 NOVEMBER 2022.

RESOLVED:

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

3 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

4 APPLICATION FOR STREET TRADING CONSENT AT EAGLE SQUARE ARNOLD

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Environment, asking Members to consider an application made by Gedling Borough Council for a Street Trading Consent for the Arnold Market to trade in a consent street in Arnold. The application was seeking approval for the consent to be for a period until the end of December 2023 which is a departure from the Council's Street Trading Policy.

RESOLVED to:

 Approve the application made by Gedling Borough Council for a Street Trading Consent for the Arnold Market to trade in a consent street in Arnold as shows in Appendix 1 to the report; and 2) Approve a departure from the Council's Street Trading Policy and that the consent be until the end of December 2023.

5 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

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 reports 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 CIRCUMSTANCES FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE LICENCE AA

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Environment, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, regarding a change of circumstances following information received about the holder of a Joint Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver's Licence.

AA attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee found that there were exceptional mitigating circumstances surrounding the offences which allowed for departure from the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) To suspend AA's licence for 21 days; and
- 2) Issue a warning to AA that such conduct fell short of the expected standard for Hackney Carriage Drivers and that further such incidents would result in another appearance before the Committee.

AA was given 21 days to surrender his licence.

8 APPEAL AGAINST DIRECTORS DECISION FOR IMMEDIATE REVOCATION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - SA

Members noted a report which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, giving information about the recently determined appeal

against the director's decision for an immediate revocation of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire licence.

The meeting finished at 5.15 pm

Signed by Chair: Date: