

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 7 March 2023

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor Alex Scroggie
 Councillor Pat Bosworth Councillor Martin Smith
 Councillor Rachael Ellis Councillor Sam Smith
 Councillor Des Gibbons Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton
 Councillor Meredith Lawrence Councillor Paul Wilkinson

Absent: Councillor Julie Najuk

Officers in J Brough, L Chaplin, B Hopewell and R Pentlow
Attendance:

22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Najuk. Councillor Lawrence attended as substitute.

23 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 FEBRUARY 2023

RESOLVED:

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

24 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

25 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

26 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.

27 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - AA

Councillor Lawrence joined the meeting.

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Environment, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, regarding an application for a one year joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for AA.

AA attended the meeting along with a family member and they both addressed the Committee.

In making the decision the Committee had regard to the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines.

RESOLVED:

To refuse AA's application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

AA was advised of the right of appeal against the decision of the Committee.

28 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MRQ

The Committee was informed that MRQ's representative had requested that the matter be adjourned to another date to allow him enough time to consider the case.

RESOLVED:

To defer consideration of the application to the next available meeting of the committee.

29 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE LICENCE - KM

The Committee was informed that KM was unable to attend the meeting and had requested that the matter be adjourned to another date.

RESOLVED:

To defer consideration of the application to the next available meeting of the committee.

The meeting finished at 5.15 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: