MINUTES ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday 8 August 2023

Councillor Alison Hunt (Chair)

Present: Councillor Marje Paling Councillor Alex Scroggie

Councillor Rachael Ellis Councillor Martin Smith

Councillor Des Gibbons Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton

Councillor Julie Najuk Councillor Paul Wilkinson

Councillor Sue Pickering

Absent: Councillor Boyd Elliott

Officers in C Allcock, J Brough, B Hopewell and R Pentlow

Attendance:

16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Elliott.

17 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 JULY 2023.

RESOLVED:

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

18 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

19 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

20 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.

21 APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - NS

A decision was made by the Chair to move item 7 forward on the agenda.

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 NS.

NS attended the meeting and he addressed the Committee.

In making the decision the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines.

RESOLVED to:

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

Issue a warning to the applicant that he must read carefully and adhere to the Joint Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire licence conditions in future.

22 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - ND

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.

ND attended the meeting along with his operator and they both addressed the Committee.

In making the decision the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines.

RESOLVED:

To revoke the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence held by ND with immediate effect.

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

The meeting finished at 6.20 pm

Signed by Chair: Date: