

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 1 July 2014

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Meredith Lawrence Councillor Gary Gregory
 Councillor Bruce Andrews Councillor Cheryl Hewlett
 Councillor Sandra Barnes Councillor Mike Hope
 Councillor Roxanne Ellis Councillor Barbara Miller
 Councillor Tony Gillam Councillor John Parr

Absent: Councillor Nicki Brooks, Councillor Carol Pepper and
 Councillor Stephen Poole

Officers in Attendance: R Pentlow, F Whyley and A Callingham

27 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Pepper.

**28 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE
MEETING HELD ON 10 JUNE 2014.**

RESOLVED:

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

29 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

30 NOTICES SERVED

RESOLVED:

To note the report and thank the Officers for their work.

31 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

32 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.

33 APPEAL AGAINST REVOCATION OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MA

RESOLVED:

1. To note the report; and
2. To request that officers, in consultation with the Chair of Environment and Licensing, look at amending the Policy document to take into account no insurance convictions in conjunction with plying for hire convictions and bring proposed amendments back to Committee for approval.

34 APPEAL AGAINST REVOCATION OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - JA

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

35 APPEAL AGAINST REVOCATION OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - HM

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

36 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - NM

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

NM 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 NM'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 A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - YI

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

YI attended the meeting, accompanied by his nephew, 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 YI's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

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APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MA

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

MA attended the meeting, accompanied by his brother-in-law, 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 MA'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.

39 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MC

MC did not attend the meeting.

RESOLVED:

To defer consideration of the application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from MC to a future meeting of the Committee. If MC does not attend his next appointment, his application will be treated as withdrawn.

40 APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - TBS

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

TBS 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 refuse TBS's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence on the grounds that he is not a fit and proper person.

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

41 APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MAA

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

MAA 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 MAA'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.

42 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MUD

MUD did not attend the meeting.

RESOLVED:

To defer consideration of the application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from MUD to a future meeting of the Committee. If MUD does not attend his next appointment, his application will be treated as withdrawn.

43 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - CMA

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

CMA 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 CMA's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Signed by Chair:
Date: