

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 2 September 2025

Councillor Alison Hunt (Chair)

Present:	Councillor Rachael Ellis	Councillor Alex Scroggie
	Councillor Roxanne Ellis	Councillor Martin Smith
	Councillor Andrew Meads	Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton
	Councillor Julie Najuk	Councillor Paul Wilkinson

Absent: Councillor Marje Paling and Councillor Sue Pickering

Officers in Attendance: C Allcock, B Hopewell, A Hutchinson, D Notley and R Towlson

23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Paling and Pickering.

24 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 05 AUGUST 2025.

RESOLVED:

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

25 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

26 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

27 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.

28 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - IS

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Place, 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.

IS attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

Councillor Wilkinson joined the meeting.

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

RESOLVED:

To suspend IS's licence for 42 days, giving 21 days to surrender his licence and was advised of his right to appeal against the decision of the Committee; and

Issue a warning to IS 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.

29 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS LICENCE - SA

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Place, 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.

SA attended the meeting and 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 SA, with immediate effect.

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

The meeting finished at 6.17 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: