ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 16th July, 2013

Councillor M Paling (Chair)

Councillors: B.M. Andrews S.J. Barnes N. Brooks G.V. Clarke

R. Ellis
A.J. Gillam(a)
J. Hollingsworth (a)
M. Hope
M. Lawrence
B.S.R. Miller
J.M. Parr (a)
S. Poole

H.T.N. Wheeler

15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Parr and Hollingsworth.

16 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 JUNE 2013.

RESOLVED:

To approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 11 June 2013.

17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

18 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

19 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

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.

20 APPEAL AGAINST REVOCATION OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - AB

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

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

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

ZT did not attend the Committee.

RESOLVED:

That ZT's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence be deemed withdrawn due to his non-attendance at two Committee meetings.

22 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - SU-H

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a change of circumstances of a joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from SU-H.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To suspend the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence held by SU-H for 28 days from 16th July 2013 until 12th August due to his plying for hire conviction.

23 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - BA

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

BA attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

BA submitted references, in support of his application which were read out by the Chair.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve BA's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

24 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - HU-R

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

HU-R attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve HU-R's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License with a warning as to the necessary consequences of any further convictions or appearances before Committee.

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

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

AH attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve AH's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License with a warning as to the necessary consequences of any further convictions or appearances before Committee.

26 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT 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 has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

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

NM was advised of his right of appeal against the decision of the Committee.

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

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

SSD attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's

approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that no exceptional circumstances exist which would warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

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

SSD was advised of his right of appeal against the decision of the Committee.

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

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

RN attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee has applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines. On the basis of what it has heard, the Committee is satisfied on balance that exceptional circumstances exist that warrant departure from this policy.

RESOLVED:

To approve RN's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's License with a warning as to the necessary consequences of any further convictions or appearances before Committee.