

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 7 October 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 Nicki Brooks Councillor Barbara Miller
 Councillor Roxanne Ellis Councillor John Parr
 Councillor Tony Gillam Councillor Stephen Poole

Absent: Councillor Carol Pepper

Officers in Attendance: P Gibbs and D Blasdale

94 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Councillor Prew-Smith attended the meeting as a substitute for Councillor Pepper, who sent her apologies.

95 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON THE 9TH AND 16TH SEPTEMBER 2014

RESOLVED:

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

96 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

97 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

98 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.

99 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - SZ

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

SZ attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

In making its decision, the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines and took into consideration the circumstances of the event. 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 SZ's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

100 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - ARB

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

ARB attended the meeting, accompanied by a friend, 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 ARB'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.

101 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - AA

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private

Hire Driver's Licence from AA.

AA 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 AA'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.

102 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - IA

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

IA attended the meeting, accompanied by a Licensing Representative from DG Cars, who addressed the Committee on his behalf.

In making its decision, the Committee applied the Council's approved Policy and Guidelines and took into consideration the circumstances of the event. 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 IA's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence, subject to a medical and driving test.

103 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - SA

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

SA 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 SA'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.

104 APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - AA

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

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

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

Councillors Parr and Andrews left the meeting.

105 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - KA

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

KA attended the meeting, accompanied by a friend, 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 KA's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence on the grounds that he is not a fit and proper person.

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

Councillor Hope left the meeting.

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APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - HAK

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

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

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

The meeting finished at 7.15 pm

Signed by Chair:

Date: