

**MINUTES  
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday 4 August 2015**

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present:           Councillor Nicki Brooks                   Councillor John Parr  
                  Bruce Andrews                   Councillor Carol Pepper  
                  Councillor Sandra Barnes           Councillor Alex Scroggie  
                  Councillor Roxanne Ellis           Councillor Jane Walker  
                  Councillor Barbara Miller

Absent:                                   Councillor Gary Gregory

Officers in Attendance:       P Gibbs, A Callingham, S Steventon and L Sugden

**240           APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.**

Councillor Gary Gregory.

**241           TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE  
MEETING HELD ON 07 JULY 2015**

**RESOLVED:**

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

**242           DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

None

**243           ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.**

None.

**244           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.

**245 COMPLAINT RELATING TO HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE NO 349-MH**

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director, Dave Wakelin, regarding a complaint regarding MH received by the Council 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

MH 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 existed which would warrant departure from this policy.

**RESOLVED:**

To suspend the Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Drivers Licence held by MH for a period of 14 days, without immediate effect.

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

**246 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE NO 2482- OA**

The Committee considered a report from Corporate Director, Dave Wakelin, regarding a change of circumstances of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire of Licence from OA.

OA 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 existed which warranted departure from this policy.

**RESOLVED:**

To suspend the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence held by OA for a period of 28 days, without immediate effect; the driver was also given a warning.

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

**247 CHANGE OF CIRCUMTANCE OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE NO.3421- IA**

IA did not attend the meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

To defer consideration of the application to a future meeting of the committee. If IA does not attend his next appointment, his application will be treated as withdrawn.

**248 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE NO 2404- SS**

SS did not attend the meeting but sent his apologies saying there had been a family crisis.

**RESOLVED:**

To defer consideration of the application to a future meeting of the Committee. If SS does not attend his next appointment, his application will be treated as withdrawn.

**249 APPLICATION FOR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVING LICENCE- BSS**

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

BSS attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

**RESOLVED:**

To defer consideration of the application to a future meeting to allow references to be obtained.

**250 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - JI**

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

JI 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 existed which would warrant departure from this policy.

**RESOLVED:**

To approve the application in accordance with the policy.

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**APPLICATION FOR JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - RIK**

RIK did not attend the meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

To defer consideration of the application to a future meeting of the Committee.

The meeting finished at 6.50 pm

Signed by Chair:

Date: