

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 12 January 2016

Councillor Marje Paling (Chair)

Present: Councillor Nicki Brooks Councillor Barbara Miller
 Councillor Bruce Andrews Councillor John Parr
 Councillor Sandra Barnes Councillor Alex Scroggie
 Councillor Bob Collis Councillor Jane Walker
 Councillor Gary Gregory

Absent: Councillor Carol Pepper

Officers in Attendance: R Pentlow, H Cash, L Mellors, K Nealon and
 F Whyley

300 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Councillor Poole attended the meeting as substitute for Councillor Pepper, who had given her apologies.

301 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 DECEMBER 2015

RESOLVED:

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

302 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

303 NOTICES SERVED.

To note the contents of the report.

304 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

305 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.

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

Consideration was given to a report by Corporate, David Wakelin, regarding a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from RT.

RT 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 RT's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for a period of 1 year.

307 APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - SM

Consideration was given to a report by Corporate, David Wakelin, regarding a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from SM.

SM 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 SM's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for a period of 1 year, with a warning.

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APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - JSL

Consideration was given to a report by Corporate, David Wakelin, regarding a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from JSL.

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

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

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APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - BH

Consideration was given to a report by Corporate Director, David Wakelin, regarding a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from BH.

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

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

Councillor Andrews and Councillor Poole left the meeting at 6.25pm.

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CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE AND RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - KKJ

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

KKJ 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 revoke KKJ's licence without immediate effect on the grounds that he is not a fit and proper person and to give KKJ 21 days to surrender his licence.

To refuse KKJ's application to renew his Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence on the grounds that he is not a fit and proper person.

KKJ was advised of his right to appeal against the decisions of the Committee.

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APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - GSDMK

Consideration was given to a report by Corporate, David Wakelin, regarding a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence from GSDMK.

GSDK and his daughter 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 GSDMK's application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for a period of 1 year.

The meeting finished at 7.53 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: