

Minutes of Sub-Committee of the Licensing Committee

Meeting Date: Thursday, 24 August 2023, starting at 2.00 pm
Present: Councillor I Brown (Chair)

Councillors:

S Brunskill

R Newmark

In attendance: Solicitor, Taxi Enforcement Officer and Licensing Officer

Also in attendance: Applicant and his Solicitor

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WELCOME

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APOLOGIES AND RE-CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

There were no apologies for absence.

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DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY, OTHER REGISTRABLE AND NON REGISTRABLE INTERESTS

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary, other registrable and non-registrable interests.

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EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

That by virtue of the next item of business being exempt information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 that press and public be now excluded from the meeting.

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LICENSING HEARING - TAXI

The Sub-Committee received a report from the Head of Legal and Democratic Services requesting that they determine whether a private hire driver remained a fit and proper person to hold a private hire driver's licence.

The driver attended the hearing along with a legal representative. Both the driver and the representative made verbal submissions to the Committee. They then responded to questions from the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-committee, having taken account of all the submissions, written and verbal, the provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, the Council's Statement of Policy and Guidelines on Relevant Convictions ("the Policy"), the Council's Infringement Scheme ("the Scheme"), the Council's Policy for Licensing of Hackney Carriage Drivers and Vehicles, Private Hire Operators, Drivers and Vehicles and the references supplied, determined in the particular circumstances that the driver remained a fit and proper person to hold a private hire driver's licence, and that 12 infringement points should be imposed on that licence.

It was further determined that the driver should be warned as to the possible consequences of any further contravention, as well as recommending that the driver study the applicable conditions, policies and schemes of the Council.

The meeting closed at 3.33 pm

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