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TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE

Thursday 9 June 2022
10.00 am
Council House

Members:

Councillor Churchill, Chair
Councillor Salmon, Vice Chair
Councillors Finn, Haydon, Partridge, Rennie and Tuffin.

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business overleaf.

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Tracey Lee
Chief Executive

Taxi Licensing Committee

AGENDA

1. To Note the Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair for the Municipal Year 2022 / 2023

For the Committee to note the appointment of Councillor Churchill as Chair, and Councillor Salmon as Vice Chair, for the municipal year 2022 – 2023.

2. Apologies

To receive apologies for non-attendance submitted by Committee Members.

3. Declarations of Interest

Members will be asked to make any declarations of interest in respect of items on this agenda.

4. Minutes

(Pages 1 - 2)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 24 March 2022.

5. Chair's Urgent Business

To receive reports on business which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be brought forward for urgent consideration.

6. Appeal Cases

The Committee will be provided with the results of the judgement on appeal cases that went to Court.

7. Exempt Information

To consider passing a resolution under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 to exclude the press and the public from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Part II (Private Meeting)

Agenda

Members of the Public to Note:

That under the law, the Committee is entitled to consider certain items in private. Member of the public will be asked to leave the meeting when such items are discussed.

8. Confidential Minutes (Pages 3 - 8)

To confirm the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 24 March 2022.

9. Application for the Grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence (Pages 9 - 18)

The Director for Public Health will submit a report on the Application for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence.

10. Application for the Grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence (Pages 19 - 28)

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Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 24 March 2022

PRESENT:

Councillor Singh, in the Chair.
Councillor Salmon, Vice Chair.
Councillors Mrs Aspinall, Corvid, Derrick and Partridge.

Co-opted Representatives:

Apologies for absence: Councillors Jordan and Tuffin.

Also in attendance: Sharon Day (Lawyer), Steve Forshaw (Senior Enforcement Officer) and Helen Prendergast (Democratic Adviser).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 12.05 pm.

Note: At a future meeting, the committee will consider the accuracy of these draft minutes, so they may be subject to change. Please check the minutes of that meeting to confirm whether these minutes have been amended.

72. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made by Members, in accordance with the code of conduct.

73. **Minutes**

The Committee agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2022 are confirmed as a correct record.

74. **Chair's Urgent Business**

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

75. **Appeal Cases**

There had been no appeal cases since the last Committee meeting.

76. **Exempt Information**

The Committee agreed that under Section 100(4A) of the Local Government Act, 1972 to exclude the press and the public from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

77. Confidential Minutes

The Committee agreed that the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2022 are confirmed as a correct record.

Order of Business

With the permission of the Chair, the order of business was changed and is reflected below in the minutes.

78. Initial Application Request for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence

The Committee having -

- (a) considered the report from the Director for Public Health;
- (b) heard from the potential applicant;
- (c) took all the information into account.

The Committee agreed to act outside of the Council's policy and accept the application without the need to produce a certificate of good conduct.

Please note: there is a confidential part to this minute.

79. Review Status of Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence

The Committee having -

- (a) considered the report from the Director for Public Health;
- (b) heard from the driver;
- (c) took all the information into account.

The Committee agreed that the driver was not considered to be a fit and proper person to hold a private hire driver's licence and the licence was revoked in accordance with S.19(1)(b) of the Plymouth City council Act 1975.

Please note: there is a confidential part to this minute.

The following relates to exempt or confidential matters (Para(s) 1 of Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Govt Act 1972). Any breach of confidentiality could prejudice the Council/person/body concerned & might amount to a breach of the councillors /employees codes of conduct.

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