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## **TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Thursday 20 February 2014  
10 am  
Council House, Plymouth (Next to the Civic Centre)

**Members:**

Councillor Haydon, Chair  
Councillor Bowie, Vice Chair  
Councillors Mrs Bowyer, Mrs Foster, Jarvis, Mrs Nicholson and Rennie.

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

**Tracey Lee**  
Chief Executive

# **TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE**

## **AGENDA**

### **PART I – PUBLIC MEETING**

#### **1. APOLOGIES**

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

#### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

#### **3. MINUTES**

**(Pages 1 - 2)**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2014.

#### **4. CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

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

#### **5. APPEAL CASES**

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

#### **6. EXEMPT INFORMATION**

To consider passing a resolution under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it (they) involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph(s) 3 and 7 of Part I 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. Members of the public will be asked to leave the meeting when such items are discussed.

#### **7. CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES (E3 AND E7)**

**(Pages 3 - 4)**

To confirm the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2014.

**8. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE OPERATOR'S LICENCE - GP (E3 AND E7) (Pages 5 - 10)**

The Strategic Director for People will submit a report on an application for the grant of a private hire operator's licence.

**9. REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MS (E3 AND E7) (Pages 11 - 16)**

The Strategic Director for People will submit a report on a private hire driver's review of licence status.

**10. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - AR (E3 AND E7) (Pages 17 - 22)**

The Strategic Director for People will submit a report on an application for the grant of a private hire driver's licence.

**LUNCH 1PM - 2PM**

**11. REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - GM (E3 AND 37) (Pages 23 - 30)**

The Strategic Director for People will submit a report on a hackney carriage driver's review of licence status.

**12. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - SA (E3 AND 37) (Pages 31 - 36)**

The Strategic Director for People will submit a report on an application for the grant of a private hire driver's licence.

**13. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - VB (E3 AND 37) (Pages 37 - 42)**

The Strategic Director for People will submit a report on an application for the grant of a private hire driver's licence.

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## Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 23 January 2014

### PRESENT:

Councillor Haydon, in the Chair.

Councillor Bowie, Vice Chair.

Councillors Mrs Bowyer, Mrs Foster, Jarvis, Mrs Nicholson and Rennie.

Also in attendance: George Curness (Licensing Officer), Andrea Gilbert (Legal Officer), Lynn Young (Democratic Support Officer).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 11.05 am.

*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.*

### 85. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

### 86. **MINUTES**

Agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 December 2013 are confirmed as a correct record.

### 87. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

In response to a question from Councillor Rennie, the Licensing Officer advised that the provider of the Driving Standards test had recently reviewed their procedures in an attempt to prevent incidences of cheating.

### 88. **APPEAL CASES**

The committee was advised that there had been no new appeal cases since the last meeting.

### 89. **EXEMPT INFORMATION**

Agreed that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and 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 paragraphs 3 and 7 of Part I Schedule 12a of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

90. **LICENSED PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - REVIEW OF LICENCE STATUS - TP (E3 AND E7)**

Due to TP's non-attendance at this meeting, members agreed to defer this matter to the next available committee meeting, when the case could be heard in TP's absence.

91. **LICENSED PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - REVIEW OF LICENCE STATUS - KS (E3 AND E7)**

The committee –

- (a) considered the report from the Director for People;
- (b) heard from KS;
- (c) took the above report and all that was said by KS into consideration;

The committee agreed that having taken the above into account to suspend KS's private hire driver's licence for three days in total under Section 19(1)(b) Plymouth City Council Act 1975 and to issue him with a warning which will lie on his file.

*(Please note: there is a confidential part to this minute)*

92. **APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE OPERATOR'S LICENCE - GP (E3 AND E7)**

The committee –

- (a) considered the report from the Director for People;
- (b) heard from GP.

Following a brief adjournment, the committee agreed that more information was required to consider the application. The committee agreed that the application is deferred until the next available committee date.

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