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TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE

Thursday 12 June 2014

10 am

Council House, Plymouth (Next to the Civic Centre)

Members:

Councillor Jarvis, Chair

Councillor Bowie, Vice Chair

Councillors Mrs Foster, Fry, Mrs Nicholson, Rennie and Singh.

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. TO NOTE THE APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

The Committee will be asked to note the appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair for the municipal year 2014 – 2015.

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 - 4)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 17 April 2014.

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. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR

The panel is asked to note the dates of future meetings for the municipal year 2014 – 2015. All meetings will commence at 10 am.

- Thursday 26 June 2014
- Thursday 24 July 2014
- Thursday 21 August 2014
- Thursday 18 September 2014
- Thursday 16 September 2014
- Thursday 13 November 2014
- Thursday 11 December 2014

- Thursday 22 January 2015
- Thursday 19 February 2015
- Thursday 19 March 2015
- Thursday 16 April 2015

8. 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.

9. CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES (E3 AND E7) (Pages 5 - 12)

To confirm the confidential minutes of the meeting on 17 April 2014.

10. REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - RL (E3 AND E7) (Pages 13 - 20)

The Director of Public Health will submit a report on a hackney carriage driver's review of licence status.

11. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - PS (E3 AND E7) (Pages 21 - 28)

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

12. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A RESTRICTED PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - LP (E3 AND E7) (Pages 29 - 34)

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

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**13. REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE (Pages 35 - 40)
- MH (E3 AND E7)**

The Director of Public Health will submit a report on a hackney carriage driver's review of licence status.

Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 17 April 2014

PRESENT:

Councillor Haydon, in the Chair.

Councillor Bowie, Vice Chair.

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

Also in attendance: Sharon Day (Legal Officer), Steve Forshaw (Licensing Officer), Lynn Young (Democratic Support Officer).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 3.40 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.

117. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

118. **MINUTES**

Agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2014 are confirmed as a correct record.

119. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

120. **APPEAL CASES**

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

121. **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 1 Schedule 12a of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

122. **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Agreed that the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2014 are confirmed as a correct record.

123. **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - AP (E3 AND E7)**

The committee –

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

The committee agreed that having taken the above into account to suspend AP's private hire driver's licence for 12 days in total under Section 19(1)(b) of the Plymouth City Council Act 1975.

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

124. **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - SS (E3 AND E7)**

The committee –

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

The committee agreed that having taken the above into account to suspend SS's private hire driver's licence for six days in total under Section 19(1)(b) of the Plymouth City Council Act 1975.

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125. **REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - IC (E3 AND E7)**

The committee –

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

The committee agreed that –

- (1) having taken the above into account to suspend IC's hackney carriage driver's licence for six days in total under Section 19(1)(b) of the Plymouth City Council Act 1975;
- (2) IC is required to produce his NVQ certificate within the next three months. Failing this he must complete the VRQ in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and

Private Hire or equivalent within 12 months.

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

126. **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - JM (E3 AND E7)**

The committee –

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

The committee agreed that having taken the above into account to revoke JM's private hire driver's licence under section 19(1)(b) of the Plymouth City Council Act 1975 as he is no longer considered to be a fit and proper person.

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127. **APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - AE (E3 AND E7)**

The committee –

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

The committee agreed to grant AE's application for a private hire driver's licence subject to AE completing all the necessary pre requisites for the grant of a licence, and subject to him completing the VRQ qualification in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and Private Hire or equivalent within 12 months of any licence issued to him.

128. **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - PC (E3 AND E7)**

The committee –

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

The committee agreed that –

- (1) having taken the above into account to suspend PC's private hire driver's licence for three days under section 19(1)(b) of the Plymouth City Council Act;
- (2) PC is required to complete the VRQ in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and

Private Hire or equivalent within the next 12 months.

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