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## **TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Thursday 10 September 2015  
10.00 am  
Council House, Plymouth (Next to the Civic Centre)

### **Members:**

Councillor Jarvis, Chair

Councillor Bowie, Vice Chair

Councillors Sam Davey (substitute for Councillor Rennie), Mrs Foster, Fry, Mrs Nicholson and Singh.

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**

### **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 - 4)**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 6 August 2015.

#### **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) 1, 2 and 3 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. Members of the public will be asked to leave the meeting when such items are discussed.

#### **7. CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

**(Pages 5 - 8)**

To confirm the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 6 August 2015.

**8. REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE (Pages 9 - 16)  
- MNC**

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

**9. REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MP (Pages 17 - 22)**

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

**10. REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE (Pages 23 - 30)  
- MFH**

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

**LUNCH - 1 PM - 2 PM**

**11. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE (Pages 31 - 36)  
DRIVER'S LICENCE - AP**

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 HACKNEY (Pages 37 - 42)  
CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - ACB**

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

**13. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE (Pages 43 - 48)  
DRIVER'S LICENCE - SN**

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

**14. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE (Pages 49 - 54)  
DRIVER'S LICENCE - AMI**

The Director of Public Health 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 6 August 2015

### PRESENT:

Councillor Jarvis, in the Chair.  
Councillor Bowie, Vice Chair.  
Councillors Rennie, Mrs Foster and Fry.

Apologies for absence: Councillors Mrs Nicholson and Singh.

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

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 11.35 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.*

### 34. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest in respect of items on this agenda.

### 35. **MINUTES**

Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2015.

### 36. **APPEAL CASES**

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

### 37. **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 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 Schedule 12a of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

### **Order of business**

With the permission of the Chair, the order of business was amended, as set out below in the minutes.

38. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

Under this agenda item, Councillor Bowie asked the Licensing Officer a question relating to the issuing of Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licences. She was subsequently informed by the Legal Officer that she would advise her on this matter outside of the meeting.

39. **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Agreed the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2015.

40. **APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MAC**

The committee –

- (a) considered the report from the Director of Public Health;
- (b) heard from MAC;
- (c) took the above report and all that was said into consideration.

The committee agreed to grant MAC's application for a private hire driver's licence subject to him completing the Knowledge of Plymouth Test and the Driving Standards Test. In addition he is required to complete the VRQ in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and Private Hire or equivalent within the first 12 months of his licence being granted.

41. **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MP**

The committee agreed to adjourn this case to the next committee hearing as MP did not attend. A letter is to be sent to MP advising him that the matter will be dealt with at the next committee and if he fails to attend the matter will be dealt with in his absence.

42. **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - RJW**

The committee –

- (a) considered the report from the Director of Public Health;
- (b) heard from RJW;
- (c) heard from RJW's representative;
- (d) took the above report and all that was said into consideration.

The committee agreed that having taken the above into account to suspend RJW's private hire licence for a period of 3 days under Section 19(1)(b) of the Plymouth City Council Act 1975. In addition he would be required to successfully complete the VRQ in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and Private Hire or equivalent within the next 12 months.

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

43. **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - DMT**

The committee –

- (a) considered the report from the Director of Public Health;
- (b) heard from DMT;
- (c) took the above report and all that was said into consideration.

The committee agreed that having taken the above into account to suspend DMT's private hire driver's licence for 5 days under section 19(1)(b) of the Plymouth City Council Act 1975. In addition he would be required to successfully complete the VRQ in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and Private Hire or equivalent within the next 12 months.

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