

Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 12 November 2015

PRESENT:

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

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

The meeting started at 10.03 am and finished at 10.56 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.

70. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

71. **MINUTES**

Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2015.

72. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

73. **APPEAL CASES**

The committee was advised that there had been one new appeal case since the last meeting. This appeal was dismissed by the court.

74. **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 I Schedule 12a of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

75. **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Agreed the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2015.

76. **APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - AG**

The committee –

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

The committee agreed that having taken the above into account AG was not a fit and proper person to hold a private hire driver's licence and therefore his application would be refused.

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

77. **REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - CL**

The Licensing Officer advised the Committee that a letter had been received from CL requesting an adjournment so that he can seek suitable legal representation. The Committee have agreed to adjourn the hearing until the next available Committee date. If CL does not attend that hearing, the Members may proceed to hear the case in his absence and may consider all available sanctions at that time, including the revocation of his licence.