

Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 3 March 2016

Present:

Councillor Jarvis, in the Chair.

Councillor Bowie, Vice Chair.

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

Also in attendance: Kristin Barnes (Democratic Support Officer), Sharon Day (Legal Officer), Steve Foreshaw (Senior Enforcement Officer).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 11.40 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.

106. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

107. **MINUTES**

Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2016.

108. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

109. **APPEAL CASES**

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

110. **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.

111. **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Agreed the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2016

112. **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - JPB**

The Committee –

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

The committee agreed that having taken the above into account to revoke JPB'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.

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

113. **APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - BA**

The committee –

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

The committee agreed to grant BA's application for a private hire vehicle driver's licence subject to him completing the VRQ in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and Private Hire or equivalent within the first 12 months of his licence being granted.

114. **CONSIDERATION IN PRINCIPLE TO DEPART FROM THE COUNCIL'S CURRENT LICENSING POLICY WITH RESPECT TO THE EURO 4 EMISSIONS REQUIREMENT FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES - ML**

This matter was not considered by the committee as they had been advised that ML had withdrawn his application.