

Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 16 June 2016

Present:

Councillor Foster, Vice Chair in the Chair.
Councillors Bowie, Carson, Mrs Foster, Mavin, Rennie and Singh.

Apologies for absence: Councillor Kelly.

Also in attendance: Andrea Gilbert (Lawyer), Steve Forshaw (Senior Enforcement Officer), Kristin Barnes (Democratic Support Officer).

The meeting started at 10:00 and finished at 11:30.

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.

13. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

14. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

The Committee raised concerns that it was not cost effective to convene a meeting for only one item and requested that the cost of holding the meeting was investigated. Agreed that the cost of the Committee would be investigated and that the matter would be raised with the Licensing Services Manager.

15. **APPEAL CASES**

There have been no appeals since the last meeting.

16. **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.

17. **Application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence - MVL**

The committee –

- (a) considered the report from the Director of Public Health;
- (b) heard from MVL;

(c) took the above report and all that was said into consideration.

The committee agreed to grant MVL's application for a Hackney Carriage driver's licence subject to him passing the Driving Standards Test. MVL will be excused from sitting the Topographical Knowledge of Plymouth Test.