

Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 3 December 2015

PRESENT:

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

Apologies for absence: Councillor Mrs Nicholson.

Also in attendance: Andrea Gilbert (Legal Officer), Mark Small (Enforcement Officer) and Lynn Young (Democratic Support Officer).

The meeting started at 10.02 am and finished at 3.41 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.

78. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

79. **MINUTES**

Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 12 November 2015.

80. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

81. **APPEAL CASES**

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

82. **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.

83. **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Agreed the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 12 November 2015.

Order of business

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

84. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE - JLD

The committee –

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

The committee agreed to grant JLD's application for a private hire vehicle driver's licence subject to him completing 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.

85. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE - SC

The committee –

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

The committee agreed to grant SC's application for a private hire vehicle driver's licence subject to him completing the Knowledge of Plymouth 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.

86. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MDB

The committee was advised that MDB was not present. It was agreed that this application would remain on file until such time MDB contacted the Licensing Department.

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

The committee –

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

- (c) heard from CL'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 revoke both CL's private hire driver's licence and hackney carriage 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)

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