

LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

HELD: 1 DECEMBER 2015

Start: 7.30pm

Finish: 7.55pm

PRESENT: Councillor Devine (Chairman)
Councillor Delaney (Vice Chairman)

Councillors: Kay Nixon
McKay Patterson
C Marshall Mrs Stephenson
Mee Wright

Officers: Commercial, Safety and Licensing Manager (Mr P Charlson)
Principal Solicitor (Mrs K Lovelady)
Assistant Solicitor (Mrs R Chadwick)
Senior Licensing Officer (Mrs S Jordan)
Member Services Officer/Civic Support Officer (Mrs J Brown)

42. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

43. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no changes to Membership of the Committee.

44. URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business.

45. DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIP

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

46. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

47. MINUTES OF SUB - COMMITTEES OR WORKING GROUPS

The Minutes of the Employment Appeals Sub – Committee held on 9 and 13 October 2015 were submitted.

RESOLVED: That the above Minutes be noted.

48. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2015 be received as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

49. LICENSING FEES AND CHARGES 2016/17

Consideration was given to the report of the Assistant Director Community Services as contained on pages 275 to 282 of the Book of Reports, the purpose of which was to consider proposed changes in licensing fees and charges for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017.

The Commercial, Safety and Licensing Manager outlined the report and responded to questions and comments raised by Members.

- RESOLVED:
- A. That with effect from 1 April 2016, the proposed changes in Hackney Carriage and Private Hire licensing fees and charges contained in Table 1 to this report be approved.
 - B. That the Assistant Director Community Services be given delegated authority to give notice under Section 70 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 of the Council's intention to vary the fees and charges for vehicle, driver and operator licences.
 - C. That with effect from 1 April 2016, the proposed fees and charges contained in Table 2 to this report be approved.

50. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 2 (Identity of an individual) and Paragraph 7 (Criminal Matters) part 1 of Schedule 12A outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

**51. APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000209540
(IDENTITY OF AN INDIVIDUAL / CRIMINAL MATTERS - PARAGRAPHS 2 & 7)**

Members were asked to consider an Application for a Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/000209540 having regard to the offences declared on the Statutory Declaration, which accompanied the Application Form.

The Applicant attended the meeting and was interviewed by the Committee during which the Applicant was advised of his right of appeal to the Magistrates Court if he was aggrieved by the decision.

RESOLVED: That Application Number WK/000209540 be GRANTED.

(Note: The Officers from Community Services left the meeting as Members considered their decision in this case).

- CHAIRMAN -