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TO: THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

AGENDA (Open to the Public)

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Agenda Item 7h

PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD: Thursday, 6 October 2016

Start: 7.30 pm Finish: 8.30 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor: G Dowling (Chairman)

Councillors: I Ashcroft Mrs P Baybutt

Cooper T Devine
D Evans D McKay
M Mills M Nixon
D O'Toole R Pendleton
E Pope A Pritchard
D Westley Mrs M Westley

Officers: Director of Development and Regeneration (Mr J Harrison)

Deputy Director of Development and Regeneration (Mr I Gill)

Head of Development Management (Mrs C Thomas)

Principal Planning Officer (Ms A Veevers)

Legal and Member Services Manager (Mr M Jones)
Assistant Member Services Manager (Mrs J Denning)

31 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

32 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 4, the Committee noted the termination of Councillors Owen and C Marshall and the appointment of Councillor Mills and D Westley for this meeting only, thereby giving effect to the wishes of the Political Groups.

33 URGENT BUSINESS, IF ANY INTRODUCED BY THE CHAIRMAN

There were no urgent items of business.

34 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Pendleton declared a Pecuniary Interest in Planning Application 2016/0675/FUL as the Chairman of Tanhouse Community Enterprise.

35 DECLARATIONS OF PARTY WHIP

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

36 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 September 2016 be approved

as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report on planning applications as contained on pages 487 to 622 of the Book of Reports and on pages 631 to 646, detailing Late Information.

RESOLVED: A. That the under-mentioned planning applications be granted subject to the conditions in the report:-

2016/0471/LBC; 2016/0625/FUL

B. That in respect of planning application 2016/0470/FUL relating to Fifteens at The Fox, Roby Mill, Up Holland, Skelmersdale:

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1. That the decision to grant planning permission be delegated to the Director of Development and Regeneration in consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee subject to the applicant entering into a Unilateral Undertaking under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to secure:-

The use of the four parking spaces, as shown on drawing no. 3632-103 Rev A received by the Local Planning Authority on 8th September 2016, for the two dwellings hereby approved in perpetuity.

- That any planning permission granted by the Director of Development and Regeneration pursuant to recommendation
 above be subject to the conditions as set down on pages 495 to 496 of the Book of Reports.
- C. That planning application 2016/0675/FUL relating to 192 198 Ennerdale, Tanhouse, Skelmersdale, Lancashire WN8 6AN:
 - 1. That planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) The development must be begun not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the date of this permission.
 - (ii) The development hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with details shown on the following plans:
 - Plan reference 'Block plan and site plan' received by the Local Planning Authority on 15.06.16.
 - Plan reference 'Proposed floor plans and elevations' received by the Local Planning Authority on 15.06.16.
 - (iii) Details of the colour and texture of the external facing materials and a timetable for the external works to be

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carried out, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter development shall take place in accordance with the approved details.

- 2. That 'reason 3' detailed in the report be removed and 'reason 4' detailed in the report be renumbered 'reason 3'.
- D. That planning application 2015/1055/FUL relating to Land to the West, Cabin Lane, Great Altcar be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee, in light of the large amount of information submitted by the applicant and consultees prior to the commencement of the meeting, in order to give Members sufficient time to assimilate all the information provided.
- E. That in respect of planning application 2016/0381/OUT relating to the Garages to the east of Arnian Court, Molyneux Road, Aughton:-
 - That the decision to grant planning permission be delegated to the Director of Development and Regeneration in consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee subject to a planning obligation under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 being entered into to secure the:

Terms and conditions of the affordable housing units.

2. That any planning permission granted by the Director of Development and Regeneration pursuant to recommendation 1. above be subject to the conditions as set out on pages 619 to 621 of the Book of Reports.

(Notes: Councillor Pendleton declared a pecuniary interest in relation to planning application 2016/0675/FUL and left the room whilst this item was being considered.)

Chairman

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LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE HELD: Tuesday, 11 October 2016

Start: 7.40 pm Finish: 10.05 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor: T Devine (Chairman)

Councillors: N Delaney C Evans

J Kay D McKay
J Mee R Melling
M Mills G Owen
A Owens K Wright

In attendance: Police Sergeant Bushell – Lancashire Constabulary (Agenda Item

10 only)

Officers: Commercial, Safety and Licensing Manager (Mr P Charlson)

Principal Solicitor (Mrs K Lovelady) Senior Licensing Officer (Mrs M Murray) Senior Licensing Officer (Mrs S Jordan) Licensing Assistant (Ms S O'Donnell) Licensing Assistant (Ms D Baillie)

Member Services/Civic Support Officer (Mrs J Brown)

31 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

32 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee were informed that Councillor Owen will replace Councillor Patterson as a permanent change to the Membership of the Licensing and Appeals Committee.

33 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no urgent items of business.

34 **DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIP**

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

35 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Councillor Delaney declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 11 – Private Hire Driver – Determination of Existing Licence LN/00005314 as the person was known to him and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item.

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Councillor Devine declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 14 – Private Hire Driver – Determination of Existing Licence-LN/000004280 as the person was known to him and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item.

Councillor Kay declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 15 – Application for Private Hire Driver Licence –WK/000214675 as he has previously prosecuted the Applicant and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item.

Councillor Devine declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 15 – Application for Private Hire Driver Licence – WK/000214675 as the person was known to him and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item.

36 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 19 July 2016 be

received as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

37 HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE POLICY STATEMENT 2016 -LICENSED VEHICLE SPECIFICATION, VEHICLE TESTING REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Leisure and Wellbeing as contained on pages 99 to 165 of the Book of Reports, the purpose of which was to approve amendments to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 in respect of the licensed vehicle specification, vehicle testing and application procedures.

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

RESOLVED: That the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Statement of

Licensing Policy 2016 be amended as detailed in Appendices 2,

3, 4 and 5 of the report.

38 MINUTES OF EMPLOYMENT APPEALS SUB COMMITTEE

That the Minutes of the Employment Appeals Sub – Committee held 20 September 2016 be noted.

39 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 items 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.

40 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - DETERMINATION OF EXISTING LICENCE LN/000004526

Members were asked to consider a Private Hire Driver Licence Number LN/000004526 having regard to the information that had been received in respect of the drivers' actions.

The Senior Licensing Officers presented video footage evidence to Members. Police Sergeant Bushell provided his witness statement and also gave his opinion on the video footage evidence shown to Members.

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

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Driver Licence Number LN/000004526 be REVOKED.

(Note: The Officers from Leisure and Wellbeing Services and Police Sergeant Bushell, Lancashire Constabulary left the meeting as Members considered their decision in this case).

41 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - DETERMINATION OF EXISTING LICENCE - LN/00005314

Members were asked to consider a Private Hire Driver Licence Number LN/000005314 having regard to the offences incurred by the driver.

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

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Driver Licence Number LN/000005314 be REVOKED.

(Note 1: Councillor Delaney declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 11- Private Hire Driver – Determination of Existing Licence –LN/00005314 as the Driver was known to him and therefore left the Chamber for consideration of this item).

(Note 2: The Officers from Leisure and Wellbeing Services left the meeting as Members considered their decision in this case).

42 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - DETERMINATION OF EXISTING LICENCE LN/000007109

Members were asked to consider a Private Hire Driver Licence Number LN/000007109 having regard to the complaint received about the Driver.

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

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Driver Licence Number LN/000007109

continue and that a warning letter be sent regarding his future

conduct.

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

43 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/218051

Members were asked to consider an Application for a Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/000218051 having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration that accompanied the Application Form and any other relevant information.

The Applicant attended the meeting with his wife 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/000218051 be GRANTED.

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

44 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - DETERMINATION OF EXISTING LICENCE LN/000004280

Members were asked to consider a Private Hire Driver Licence Number LN/000004280 having regard to repeated failure to adhere to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Statement of Licensing Policy.

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

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Driver Licence Number LN/000004280

continue and that a warning letter be sent advising the driver to upkeep his vehicle in accordance with the Hackney Carriage

and Private Hire Statement of Licensing Policy.

(Note 1: Councillor Devine declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 14 – Private Hire Driver – Determination of Existing Licence LN/000004280 as the Private Hire Driver was known to him and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item).

(Note 2: Councillor Delaney took the Chair for this item).

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(Note 3: The Officers from Leisure and Wellbeing Services left the meeting as Members considered their decision in this case).

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45 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/214675

Members were asked to consider an Application for a Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/000214675 having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration that accompanied the Application Form and any other relevant information.

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 Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/000214675 be GRANTED.

(Note 1: Councillor Devine declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 15 – Application for Private Hire Driver Licence – WK/000214675 as the Applicant was known to him and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item).

(Note 2: Councillor Kay declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 15 – Application for Private Hire Driver Licence – WK/000214675 as he has previously prosecuted the Applicant and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item and did not return to the meeting).

(Note 3: Councillor Delaney took the Chair for this item).

(Note 4: The Officers from Leisure and Wellbeing Services left the meeting as Members considered their decision in this case).

Chairman