

LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE

HELD: Tuesday, 6 June 2023

Start: 7.00 pm

Finish: 7.30 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor: N Hennessy (Chairman)
T Devine (Vice-Chair)

Councillors: I Eccles
N Furey
P Hesketh
S Lawton
S Patel
T Aldridge
J Finch
J Gordon
J Howard
K Lloyd

Officers: Kay Lovelady, Legal & Democratic Services Manager
Paul Charlson, Head of Planning & Regulatory Services
Lyndsey Key, Environmental Health Manager
Michaela Murray, Senior Licensing Officer
Andrew Smith, Legal Assistant
Claire Kelly, Principal Solicitor and Deputy Monitoring Officer
Jill Ryan, Democratic Services Officer

1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

2 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no changes to the Membership of the Committee.

3 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no urgent items of business.

4 DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIP

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

6 MINUTES OF SUB - COMMITTEES OR WORKING GROUPS

There were no minutes to receive.

7 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 28 March 2023, be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

8 HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARES

Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Planning & Regulatory Services, as contained on pages 5-14 of the Book of Reports which sought consideration of a request from a Hackney Carriage proprietor, representing all Hackney Carriage trade, to increase the maximum chargeable fares payable by the travelling public for hackney carriage journeys.

The Senior Licensing Officer outlined the report and the purpose of the proposed amendments to the Members of the Committee.

- RESOLVED:
- A. That the proposed increase in hackney carriage fares detailed in Appendix 3 attached to the report be approved.
 - B. That delegated authority is granted to the Head of Planning & Regulatory Services to publish a Notice in one local newspaper circulating in the Borough detailing the proposed increase in fares.
 - C. That delegated authority is granted to the Head of Planning & Regulatory Services to grant the fare increase should no objections be received in response to the published Notice.

9 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.

10 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000277999

Members were asked to consider an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence, reference number WK/000277999, having regard to a non-declaration of a criminal offence as part of the application submitted.

RESOLVED: That the Application for a Private Hire Driver Licence, reference number WK/000277999 be GRANTED.

(Note: The Officers from Place & Community Services left the meeting whilst Members considered their decision)

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Chairman