

LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE

HELD: Tuesday, 10 April 2018

Start: 7.30 pm

Finish: 8.50 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor: G Owen (Chairman)

Councillors: N Delaney
M Mills
D West

R Melling
A Owens
K Wright

Officers: Paul Charlson, Commercial, Safety and Licensing Manager
Kay Lovelady, Principal Solicitor
Michaela Murray, Senior Licensing Officer
Julia Brown, Member Services/Civic Support Officer

64 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED: That Councillor G Owen be appointed as Chairman for the meeting.

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

65 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

66 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee were informed that Councillor D West will replace Councillor T Devine as a permanent change to the Membership of the Licensing & Appeals Committee.

67 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no urgent items of business.

68 DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIP

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

69 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor G Owen declared a pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 12 – Application for Private Hire Driver Licence WK/000236453 as the Applicant was known to her personally.

70 MINUTES OF SUB - COMMITTEES OR WORKING GROUPS

There were no minutes to receive.

71 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 February 2018 be received as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

72 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.

73 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE W/K 000233094 AL

Members were asked to consider an Application for Private Hire Driver Reference Number WK00233094 having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration Form and any other relevant information.

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Driver Reference Number WK/00233094 be deferred a further cycle in order to allow the Applicant another opportunity to attend.

74 APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE WK/000237118 MM

Members were asked to consider an Application for Private Hire Driver Reference Number WK00237118 having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration Form and any other relevant information.

The Applicant attend 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 Reference Number WK/00237118 be GRANTED.

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

75 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE W/K000236453 DK

Members were asked to consider an Application for Private Hire Driver Reference Number WK00236453 having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration Form and any other relevant information.

The Applicant 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 Reference Number WK/00236453 be REFUSED.

(Note 1: Councillor G Owen declared a pecuniary interest in relation to this item as the Applicant was personally known to her, and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item).

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

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

76 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE WK/000237458 JJ

Members were asked to consider an Application for Private Hire Driver Licence Reference WK00237458 having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration Form and any other relevant information.

The Applicant 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 Reference Number WK/00237458 be GRANTED.

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

77 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE WK/237383 SR

Members were asked to consider an Application for Private Hire Driver Reference Number WK00237383 having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration Form and any other relevant information.

The Applicant 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 Reference Number WK/00237383 be GRANTED.

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

78 DETERMINATION OF EXISTING HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER W/K 237897 PC

Members were asked to consider Hackney Carriage Driver Reference Number WK/00237897 having regard to the failure to comply with the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Statement of Licensing Policy and relevant legislation.

The Driver attended the meeting with a 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 Hackney Carriage Driver Licence associated with Reference Number WK/000237897 shall continue and that a warning letter be sent regarding his future conduct to comply with the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Statement of Licensing Policy and relevant legislation.

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

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Chairman