

LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE

HELD: Tuesday, 2 April 2019

Start: 7.30 pm

Finish: 8.05 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor: G Owen (Chairman)

Councillors:	S Currie	C Dereli
	Mrs C Evans	J Mee
	M Mills	A Owens
	D West	

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

52 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillor Furey.

53 **MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4, the Committee noted the termination of Councillor J Kay and the appointment of Councillor S Currie for this meeting only, thereby giving effect to the wishes of the political groups.

54 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business.

55 **DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIP**

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

56 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

57 **MINUTES OF SUB - COMMITTEES OR WORKING GROUPS**

There were no minutes to receive.

58 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2019, be received as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

59 **DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT - TAXI AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE
LICENSING: PROTECTING USERS CONSULTATION ON STATUTORY
GUIDANCE FOR LICENSING AUTHORITIES**

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Leisure and Environment as contained on pages 211 to 290 of the Book of Reports which informed Members of a Department for Transport consultation to provide Statutory Taxi and Private Hire Guidance for Licensing Authorities.

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

RESOLVED: That the consultation response at Appendix 4 of the report be approved for submission to the Department of Transport before the consultation deadline of 22 April 2019.

60 **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.

61 **APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE WK/000248161**

Members were asked to consider an Application for a Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/000248161 having regard to 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 he was advised of his right to appeal to the Magistrates Court if he was aggrieved by the decision.

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Licence Number WK/000248161 be GRANTED

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

62 **APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE WK/000248262**

Members were asked to consider an Application for a Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/000248262 having regard to 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 he was advised of his right to appeal to the Magistrates Court if he was aggrieved by the decision.

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RESOLVED: That Private Hire Licence Number WK/000248262 be GRANTED

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

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Chairman