

## LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE

**HELD: Tuesday, 8 October 2019**

Start: 7.30pm

Finish: 8.45pm

### PRESENT:

Councillor: T Devine (Chairman)

Councillors: N Delaney  
G Hodson  
J Mee  
P O`Neill  
J Wilkie

Mrs C Evans  
G Johnson  
M Mills  
J Witter

In attendance: Mr William Dickinson, Vesta Advisor Services  
Ms Helen Dugdale, Solicitor, Vesta Advisor Services (Observer)

Officers: Paul Charlson, Commercial, Safety and Licensing Manager  
Samantha Jordan, Senior Licensing Officer  
Kay Lovelady, Principal Solicitor  
Kirsty Breakell, Member Services / Civic Officer

### 23 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

### 24 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

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

### 25 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no urgent items of business.

### 26 DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIP

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

### 27 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

### 28 MINUTES OF SUB - COMMITTEES OR WORKING GROUPS

There were no minutes to receive.

**29 MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 July 2019 be received as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**30 DRAFT CHARITABLE COLLECTIONS POLICY 2019**

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Leisure and Environment as contained on pages 233 to 257 of the Book of Reports which sought Members approval of the draft Charitable Collections Policy 2019 annexed to the report and approval to make the necessary arrangements to amend the West Lancashire Borough Street Collections Regulations.

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

RESOLVED: a. That the draft Charitable Collections Policy 2019 annexed at appendix 2 to the report be approved.

b. That the Director of Leisure and Wellbeing Services be given delegated authority to write to the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, to obtain permission to amend the West Lancashire Borough Council Street Collection Regulations as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report.

**31 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.

**32 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/00251865**

Members were asked to consider an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/00251865, having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration that accompanied the Application Form and any other relevant information.

The Applicant attended the meeting, represented by Mr Dickinson, 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. The Applicant agreed to the presence of Ms Dugdale as an Observer.

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Driver Licence WK/00251865 be GRANTED

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

**33 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000253200**

Members were asked to consider an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/00253200, having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration that accompanied the Application Form and any other relevant information.

The Applicant attended the meeting, represented by Mr Dickinson, 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. The Applicant agreed to the presence of Ms Dugdale as an Observer.

**RESOLVED:** That Private Hire Driver Licence WK/000253200 be GRANTED

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

**34 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000254079**

Members were asked to consider an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/00254079, having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration that accompanied the Application Form and any other relevant information.

**RESOLVED:** That Private Hire Driver Licence Number WK/000254079 be deferred one cycle, until 3 December 2019.

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**Chairman**