LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE HELD: Tuesday, 2 June 2020

Start: 7.30 pm Finish: 9.50 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor: T Devine (Chairman)

Councillors: N Delaney S Currie

Mrs C Evans G Hodson
G Johnson J Mee
M Mills P O`Neill

J Witter

Officers: Paul Charlson, Environmental Health Manager

Michaela Murray, Senior Licensing Officer

Kay Lovelady, Principal Solicitor

Kirsty Breakell, Member Services / Civic Officer

Jacky Denning, Member & Executive Services Manager

57 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Monaghan

58 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no changes to the Membership of the Committee.

59 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business.

60 **DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIP**

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

61 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

62 MINUTES OF SUB - COMMITTEES OR WORKING GROUPS

There were no minutes to receive.

63 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2020 be received as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

64 LICENSING FEES & CHARGES 2020/21

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director of Place and Community contained on pages 5 to 14 of the Book of Reports which sought consideration of proposed changes in licensing fees and charges for 2020/21.

The Environmental Health Manager outlined the report and the purpose of the proposed amendments, to the Members of the Committee.

RESOLVED:

1. That the prosed changes in Hackney Carriage and Private Hire licensing fees and charges, contained in Table 1 of the report, are approved.

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- 2. That delegated authority is granted to the Corporate Director of Place and Community to give notice under Section 70 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous provision) Act 1976, of the Authority's intention to vary the fees and charges for vehicle, driver and operator licenses.
- 3. That the proposed charges in table 2 of the report, are approved.

65 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.

66 APPLICATION FOR DUAL LICENCE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000257520

Members were asked to consider an application for a Dual Licence Driver Licence number WK/000257520, 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 time she was advised of her right to appeal to the Magistrates Court if she was aggrieved by the decision.

RESOLVED: That Dual Licence Driver Licence number WK/000257520 be GRANTED.

(Note: The Officers from Place and Community services left the meeting as Members considered their decision in this case)

67 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000254079

Members were asked to consider an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence number WK/000254079, having regard to the content of the statutory declaration that accompanied the application form and any other relevant information.

The Applicant again failed to communicate with the Licensing Officers, nor attended the meeting.

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RESOLVED: that the application be marked as not proceeded with.

68 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000256421

Members were asked to consider an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence number WK/000256421, 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 time he was advised of his right to appeal to the Magistrates Court if he was aggrieved by the decision.

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Driver Licence number WK/000256421 be GRANTED.

(Note: The Officers from Place and Community services left the meeting as Members considered their decision in this case)

69 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000257010

Members were asked to consider an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence number WK/000257010, 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 time he was advised of his right to appeal to the Magistrates Court if he was aggrieved by the decision.

RESOLVED: That Private Hire Driver Licence number WK/000257010 be REFUSED.

(Note: The Officers from Place and Community services left the meeting as Members considered their decision in this case)