LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE HELD: Tuesday, 13 February 2024

Start: 7.01 pm Finish: 7.51 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor: N Hennessy (Chairman)

T Devine (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: I Eccles T Aldridge

J Gordon N Furey
K Juckes P Hesketh
Mrs M Westley S Lawton
J Witter J Finch

Officers: Kay Lovelady, Head of Legal & Democratic Services

Paul Charlson, Head of Planning & Regulatory Services

Lyndsey Key, Environmental Health Manager Samantha Jordan, Senior Licensing Officer Chloe McNally, Democratic Services Officer

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillor Lloyd, and Councillor Marsh-Pritchard.

2 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4, the Committee noted the terminations of membership of Councillor J Howard and Councillor S Patel, and the appointment of Councillor J Witter and Councillor J Finch for this meeting only, thereby giving effect to the wishes of the political groups.

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**

Councillor P Hesketh declared a personal interest in respect of Licence Application No. WK/000281705 in relation to an Application for a Private Hire Driver Licence as the applicant was known to him personally, and he therefore took no part in the decision-making process.

6 MINUTES OF SUB - COMMITTEES OR WORKING GROUPS

There were no minutes to receive.

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7 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 5 December 2023, be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

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8 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.

9 APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - WK/000281705

Members were asked to consider an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence, reference number WK/000281705, having regard to the content of the Statutory Declaration that accompanied the application form and any other relevant information.

RESOLVED: That the Application for a Private Hire Driver Licence, reference number WK/000281705 be GRANTED.

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

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