MINUTES OF: LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (DRIVERS)

Date of Meeting: 9th December 2013

Present: Councillors Gill, Crawforth and Eaton

In Attendance: Tracy Brzozowski, Licensing and Enforcement Manager
Clare Birtwistle, Legal Services Manager
Carolyn Sharples, Committee and Member Services Manager
7 applicants
1 member of the public

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Resolved: That Councillor Christine Gill be appointed as Chair of the Sub-Committee.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies had been received.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

In the interests of expediency and due to the number of items on the agenda, the Chair asked the Licensing and Enforcement Manager to outline to all persons present the relevant information which applied to all confidential applications.

4. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Resolved: That the public and press be excluded from the following items of business under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 since they involve the disclosure of exempt information under Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

5. DETERMINATION OF AN EXISTING HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR MH (Item C1)

The Chair welcomed the Driver to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the existing Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Driver spoke in favour of the case.
The Licensing and Enforcement Manager and Sub-Committee Members asked questions of the Driver for clarification purposes only.

The Driver and Licensing and Enforcement Manager left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

Resolved:
1. That the licence be revoked under s.61 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. The Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. That the applicant be notified in writing of the decision and has the right of appeal to the Magistrates’ Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter.

Reason for Decision
The existing licence had been considered in accordance with the Council’s approved procedure and policy and the Sub-Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

6. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR KA (Item C2)

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the proposed application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Applicant spoke in favour of the case.

The Sub-Committee Members asked questions of the Applicant for clarification purposes only.

The Applicant and the Licensing and Enforcement Manager left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

Resolved:
1. That the licence be refused. The Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. That the applicant be notified in writing of the decision and has the right of appeal to the Magistrates’ Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter.

Reason for Decision
The Application had been considered in accordance with the Council’s approved procedure, the Council’s Guidelines on Convictions and the Sub-Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

7. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR AA (Item C3)

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.
The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the proposed application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Applicant spoke in favour of the case.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager and Sub-Committee Members asked questions of the Applicant for clarification purposes only.

The Applicant and the Licensing and Enforcement Manager left the room to enable the Committee to determine the application.

Resolved:
1. That the licence be refused. The Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. That the applicant be notified in writing of the decision and has the right of appeal to the Magistrates’ Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter.

Reason for Decision
The Application had been considered in accordance with the Council’s approved procedure, the Council’s Guidelines on Convictions and the Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

8. REPORT TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE - MR MHB (Item C4)

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the proposed application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Applicant spoke in favour of the case.

The Sub-Committee Members asked questions of the Applicant for clarification purposes only.

The Applicant and the Licensing and Enforcement Manager left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

Resolved:
1. That the licence be refused. The Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. That the applicant be notified in writing of the decision and has the right of appeal to the Magistrates’ Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter.

Reason for Decision
The Application had been considered in accordance with the Council’s approved procedure, the Council’s Guidelines on Convictions and the Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

The Applicant for Item C5 had not arrived and therefore it was decided that this item would be moved to the end of the agenda.
9. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR IG (item C6)

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the proposed application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Applicant spoke in favour of the case.

The Sub-Committee Members asked questions of the Applicant and the Licensing Enforcement Manager for clarification purposes only.

The Applicant and the Licensing and Enforcement Manager left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

Resolved:
1. That the licence be refused. The Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. That the applicant be notified in writing of the decision and has the right of appeal to the Magistrates’ Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter.

Reason for Decision
The Application had been considered in accordance with the Council’s approved procedure, the Council’s Guidelines on Convictions and the Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

10. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR ASH (Item C7)

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the proposed application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Applicant spoke in favour of the case.

The Sub-Committee Members and the Licensing Enforcement Manager asked questions of the Applicant for clarification purposes only.

The Applicant and the Licensing and Enforcement Manager left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

Resolved:
1. That the licence be refused. The Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. That the applicant be notified in writing of the decision and has the right of appeal to the Magistrates’ Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter.
**Reason for Decision**
The Application had been considered in accordance with the Council’s approved procedure, the Council’s Guidelines on Convictions and the Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

11. **REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR KH (Item 8)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the proposed application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Applicant spoke in favour of the case.

The Sub-Committee Members asked questions of the Applicant for clarification purposes only.

The Applicant and the Licensing and Enforcement Manager left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

**Resolved:**
1. That the licence be refused. The Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. That the applicant be notified in writing of the decision and has the right of appeal to the Magistrates’ Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter.

**Reason for Decision**
The Application had been considered in accordance with the Council’s approved procedure, the Council’s Guidelines on Convictions and the Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

12. **REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR AMC (Item C5)**

The Committee resolved that this application would be decided in the absence of the Applicant.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the proposed application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

**Resolved:**
1. That the licence be refused. The Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. That the applicant be notified in writing of the decision and has the right of appeal to the Magistrates’ Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter.
Reason for Decision
The Application had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions and the Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

The meeting commenced at 10.00am and closed at 12.10am

CHAIRMAN