

**MINUTES OF: LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (DRIVERS)**

**Date of Meeting: 29<sup>th</sup> July 2015**

**Present: Councillors Crawforth (Chair) De Souza and Eaton**

**In Attendance: Abigail Wrench, Trainee Solicitor  
Tracy Brzozowski, Licensing & Enforcement Manager  
Jenni Cook, Committee Officer  
John Farrow, Taxi Receptionist  
13 applicants/representatives/family members**

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## **BUSINESS MATTERS**

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies submitted.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **3. URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent items of business.

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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.

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### **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. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR MA (Item C1)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing proposed application for a hackney carriage drivers licence.

The Applicant presented his case to the Sub-Committee.

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

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

**Resolved:**

1. That the licence is refused. The Sub-Committee did not consider the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. The applicant was notified of their right of appeal to the magistrate's court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.
3. The Applicant was served with their decision letter before they left the room.

**Reason for Decision**

The report 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 KH (Item C2)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant and his friend who acted as his interpreter to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing proposed application for a hackney carriage drivers licence.

The Applicant and his friend presented his case to the Sub-Committee.

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

The Applicant, his friend and the Licensing Officers left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

**Resolved:**

1. That the licence is refused. The Sub-Committee did not consider the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. The applicant was notified of their right of appeal to the magistrate's court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.
3. The Applicant was served with their decision letter before they left the room.

**Reason for Decision**

The report 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.

**7. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – Mr BH (Item C3)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant and his family to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing proposed application for a hackney carriage drivers licence.

The Applicant presented his case to the Sub-Committee.

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

The Applicant, his family and the Licensing Officers left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

**Resolved:**

1. That the licence is refused. The Sub-Committee did not consider the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. The applicant was notified of their right of appeal to the magistrate's court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

**Reason for Decision**

The report 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.

**8. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR MH (Item C4)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant and his daughter who acted as his representative to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing proposed application for a hackney carriage drivers licence.

The Applicant and representative presented his case to the Sub-Committee.

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

The Applicant, his representative and the Licensing Officers left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

**Resolved:**

1. That the licence is refused. The Sub-Committee did not consider the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. The applicant was notified of their right of appeal to the magistrate's court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

**Reason for Decision**

The report 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.

**9. REPORT TO DETERMINE AN EXISTING HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR RM (Item C6)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing proposed application for a hackney carriage drivers licence.

The Applicant presented his case to the Sub-Committee.

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

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

**Resolved:**

1. That the licence is granted. The Sub-Committee considered the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.

The Chair reminded the Applicant of the importance of ensuring all paperwork was correct in future.

**Reason for Decision**

The report 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.

**10. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – Mr SM (Item C7)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant and his partner to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing proposed application for a hackney carriage drivers licence.

The Applicant and his partner presented his case to the Sub-Committee.

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

The Applicant, his partner and the Licensing officers left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to determine the application.

**Resolved:**

1. That the licence is refused. The Sub-Committee did not consider the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. The applicant was notified of their right of appeal to the magistrate's court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

**Reason for Decision**

The report 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.

**11. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR TM (Item C8)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the meeting.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing proposed application for a hackney carriage drivers licence.

The Applicant presented his case to the Sub-Committee.

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

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

**Resolved:**

1. That the licence is refused. The Sub-Committee did not consider the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. The applicant was notified of their right of appeal to the magistrate's court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

**Reason for Decision**

The report 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.

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

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager noted that the Applicant had been unable to take time off work to attend the Sub-Committee and an email was presented as evidence of this.

The Sub-Committee resolved to determine the matter in the Applicant's absence.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing proposed application for a hackney carriage drivers licence.

**Resolved:**

1. That the licence is refused. The Sub-Committee did not consider the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage drivers licence.
2. The applicant would be notified in writing of their right of appeal to the magistrate's court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

**Reason for Decision**

The report 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.

**The meeting commenced at 10am and closed at 1.10pm**

CHAIRMAN \_\_\_\_\_