

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

**Date of Meeting: 14th December 2015**

**Present: Councillors Crawforth (in the Chair), De Souza and Shipley**

**In Attendance: Tracy Brzozowski, Licensing and Enforcement Manager  
Richard Bingham, Legal Officer  
Jenni Cook, Committee Officer  
9 applicants/family members**

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## **BUSINESS MATTERS**

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

There were no apologies for absence from the Sub-Committee; all members were present.

### **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 Committee.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the 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 and Enforcement Manager 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 his 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 the decision letter before he 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, Byelaws relating to Hackney Carriages, 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 MHC (Item C2)**

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the Committee.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the 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 and Enforcement Manager 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 his 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 the decision letter before he 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, Byelaws relating to Hackney Carriages, 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 HK (Item C3)**

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

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the 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 and Enforcement Manager 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 his 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 the decision letter before he 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, Byelaws relating to Hackney Carriages, 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 TM (Item C4)**

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager informed members that the Applicant was not present. It was confirmed that the letter informing the Applicant of the Sub-Committee date had been received via Royal Mail recorded delivery. He had not contacted the Licensing Unit or Committee and Member Services to advise that he was unable to attend.

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

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager detailed 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 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 of his 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 decision letter would be sent out that day via recorded delivery and first class mail.

**Reason for Decision**

The report had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions, Byelaws relating to Hackney Carriages, and the Sub-Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

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

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the Committee.

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the 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 his 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 the decision letter before he 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, Byelaws relating to Hackney Carriages, and the Sub-Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

**Note: The Chair allowed a short comfort break at this point in the meeting.**

**10. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR SRAS (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 driver's 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 and Enforcement Manager 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.

**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 DETERMINE AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE – MR MS (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 driver's 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 and Enforcement Manager 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 his 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 the decision letter before he 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 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 SS (Item C8)**

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

The Licensing and Enforcement Manager presented the report detailing the proposed application for a hackney carriage driver's 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 girlfriend 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.

**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 12.30pm**

CHAIRMAN \_\_\_\_\_