

## LICENSING COMMITTEE

1.00 P.M.

3RD FEBRUARY 2022

**PRESENT:-** Councillors Colin Hartley (Chair), Mel Guilding (Vice-Chair), Mandy Bannon, Gerry Blaikie, Roger Cleet, Roger Dennison and Abi Mills

Apologies for Absence

Councillors Paul Anderton and Jean Parr

Officers in attendance:

Jennifer Curtis	Licensing Manager
Daniel Spencer	Solicitor
Sarah Moorghen	Democratic Support Officer

### 40 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022 were signed by the Chair as a correct record.

### 41 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR

The Chair advised that he had accepted one item of urgent business regarding the final draft of the Taxi Licensing Policy.

### 42 ITEM OF URGENT BUSINESS - TAXI LICENSING POLICY - FINAL DRAFT

In accordance with Section 100B (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Chair had agreed for the item to be considered at this meeting. The item was considered as urgent business as there was a requirement to consider this item of business prior to the next scheduled meeting of the Committee.

It was reported that at the meeting of the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022 the Committee had resolved to approve the final draft of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy and refer it to Full Council for adoption with an implementation date of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 (minute 38).

The Solicitor advised that the view of the Monitoring Officer was that there was no requirement for the policy to also be approved by the Full Council and therefore the Policy could be approved by the Licencing Committee alone. The Committee were still able to refer the matter to Full Council for noting if they felt it was necessary.

***Resolved;***

That the final draft of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy is approved by the Licensing Committee with a suggested implementation date of 1st April 2022.

### 43 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

### 44 CHAIRS OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES

The Chair called for nominations for two Licensing Sub-Committee Chairs following the resignations of two previous Sub-Chairs.

Councillors Roger Dennison and Abi Mills advised the Committee that they would be happy to nominate themselves for the role of Licensing Sub-Committee Chair.

There being no further nominations the Chair confirmed that Councillor Roger Dennison and Councillor Abi Mills be appointed Chairs of the Licensing Sub-Committee.

***Resolved:***

- (1) That Councillor Roger Dennison and Councillor Abi Mills be appointed Chairs of the Licensing Sub-Committee.

**45 EXEMPT ITEM**

The Chair advised Members that it had been recommended to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information.

It was moved by Councillor Roger Dennison and seconded by Councillor Mel Guiding:

“That, in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, on the grounds that it could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information, as defined in Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act.”

A vote was taken and unanimously carried.

***Resolved:***

That, in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, on the grounds it could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information, as defined in Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act

**46 DETERMINATION OF A RENEWAL APPLICATION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE (PAGES 4 - 5)**

The Committee received the report of the Licensing Manager for the purpose of determining a review of an existing dual Drivers Licence.

Details of the individual case and the Chair’s summary of the decision are set out in Exempt Minute No. 46 in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

***Decision of the Committee:***

The decision of the Committee is set out in Exempt Minute No 46.

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Chair

(The meeting ended at 1.45 p.m.)

**Any queries regarding these Minutes, please contact  
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By virtue of paragraph(s) 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A  
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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