

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Licensing Sub-Committee**
held on Wednesday, 16th December, 2009 at Committee Suite 2/3 -
Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach, CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)

Councillors H Davenport, B Dykes, M Parsons and A Ranfield

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr M Janes, Licensing Enforcement Officer
Mrs K Khan, Solicitor
Mrs J Zientek, Democratic Services Officer

52 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED – That Councillor P Whiteley be appointed Chairman.

53 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

54 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

55 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED - That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A) 4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

56 09/10 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

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The Sub-Committee was informed that the application fell within the Council's policy for determination by the Sub-Committee. Accordingly the hearing had been convened to enable the Sub-Committee to determine whether the application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence should be granted.

The applicant attended the hearing and made representations in respect of his application. A relative of the applicant also attended the hearing and made representations in support of the applicant.

After a full hearing of the application and in accordance with the rules of procedure, the Chairman of the Sub-Committee reported that after taking account of all of the evidence, including the applicant's oral representations, the following course of action had been agreed.

RESOLVED – That the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence and that the application for a licence be granted, subject to successful completion of the Council's theory test. The licence to be granted for a probationary period of twelve months to allow the applicant to demonstrate that he continues to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

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RESOLVED – That the applicant is not a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence, due to the very serious nature of the applicant's most recent conviction, and that the application be refused.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and concluded at 2.30 pm

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)