CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Licensing Sub-Committee**held on Tuesday, 2nd February, 2010 at East Committee Room - Municipal
Buildings, Earle Street, Crewe, CW1 2BJ

PRESENT

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)

Councillors G Baxendale, D Bebbington, J Goddard and A Ranfield

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs K Khan, Solicitor Mr P Simester, Licensing Officer Mrs J Zientek, Democratic Services Officer

62 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED – That Councillor P Whiteley be appointed Chairman.

63 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

64 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

65 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.

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The applicant attended the hearing and made representations in respect of his application.

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 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. The renewal application to be accompanied by a reference from the applicant's employer providing details of the applicant's employment as a taxi driver.

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The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 10.55 am

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)