

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Licensing Sub-Committee**
held on Tuesday, 21st July, 2015 at West Committee Room - Municipal
Buildings, Earle Street, Crewe, CW1 2BJ

PRESENT

Councillor W S Davies (Chairman)

Councillors I Faseyi, M Parsons, G Wait and M Warren

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Kim Evans, Licensing Team Leader
Richard Hellon, Licensing Officer
Jim Hopper, Licensing Officer
Mark Jones, Lawyer
Julie Zientek, Democratic Services Officer

10 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED – That Councillor S Davies be appointed Chairman.

11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor I Faseyi declared that the driver to be considered at agenda item 6 was known to her and that she would withdraw from the meeting during consideration of this item.

13 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.

14 15-19/6 - APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE

The Sub-Committee considered a report regarding an application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

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 and a representative of the applicant attended the hearing and made representations in respect of the case.

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, the following course of action had been agreed.

RESOLVED - That the applicant is not a fit and proper person to hold a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence, and that the application for a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence be refused.

The licence holder was reminded of the right to appeal this decision to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days.

15 15-16/7 - CONSIDERATION OF FITNESS TO HOLD A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE AND A PRIVATE HIRE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

The licence holder was not in attendance at the hearing.

The Sub-Committee RESOLVED that consideration of this matter be deferred to its next meeting, to allow the licence holder to attend.

16 15-16/8 - CONSIDERATION OF FITNESS TO HOLD A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE

The Sub-Committee considered a report regarding an application to renew a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

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 to renew a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence should be granted.

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

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, the following course of action had been agreed.

RESOLVED - That the applicant is at this time a fit and proper person to hold a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence, and that the application for the renewal of a licence be granted.

17 15-16/9 - CONSIDERATION OF FITNESS TO HOLD A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE

The Sub-Committee considered a report regarding the holder of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

The Sub-Committee was informed that the matter 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 licence holder remained a fit and proper person to hold a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence.

The licence holder and a supporter of the licence holder attended the hearing and made representations in respect of the case.

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

RESOLVED - That the licence holder is no longer a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence and that the licence be revoked with immediate effect.

The licence holder was reminded of the right to appeal this decision to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days.

The meeting commenced at 9.30 am and concluded at 2.50 pm

Councillor W S Davies (Chairman)