

## **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Licensing Sub-Committee**  
held on Friday, 24th February, 2017 at Committee Suite 2/3 - Westfields,  
Middlewich Road, Sandbach, CW11 1HZ

### **PRESENT**

Councillor S Davies (Chairman)

Councillors D Bebbington, E Brooks, B Dooley and J Wray

### **Officers**

Jim Hopper, Licensing Officer

Martin Kilduff, Licensing Officer

Aoife Ryan, Lawyer

Rachel Graves, Democratic Services Officer

### **61 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

#### **RESOLVED:**

That Councillor S Davies be appointed Chairman.

### **62 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **63 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **64 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 as amended 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.

### **65 16-17/25 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 and two witnesses 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

- 1 the licence holder is at this time a fit and proper person to hold a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence; and
- 2 the Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence be subject to a period of suspension for one month as a punitive sanction.

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**RESOLVED:** That

- 1 the licence holder is at this time a fit and proper person to hold a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence; and
- 2 a formal warning be issued with respect to the licence holder's future conduct.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 2.20 pm

Councillor S Davies