CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Licensing Sub-Committee** held on Monday, 30th April, 2012 at Executive Meeting Room 2, Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

PRESENT

Councillors L Gilbert, A Harewood, L Smetham, G Wait and P Whiteley

Mrs N Cadman, Licensing Officer
Mrs K Khan, Solicitor
Mrs J North, Senior Democratic Services Officer

51 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

That Councillor P Whiteley be appointed as a Chairman for the meeting.

52 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

53 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

54 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.

55 11-12/19 APPLICATION FOR A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND 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 attended the hearing and made representations in respect of the 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 oral representations of the applicant, 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. However, the licence is granted for an initial probationary period of twelve months, to allow the applicant to demonstrate that he continued to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage/private hire drivers licence. At the conclusion of this twelve month period the applicant will be required to supply a reference to the Licensing Section from his employer in relation to his work as a licensed driver and to sign a declaration in relation to convictions or pending prosecutions. Should this reference be satisfactory and he has received no further convictions, he will be permitted to continue with the remaining two years of the licence, without the need to reapply or to appear before the General Licensing Sub-Committee.

56 11-12/20 CONSIDERATION OF FITNESS TO HOLD A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE

RESOLVED

That following a written request for an adjournment, on behalf of the applicant, that the hearing of the application be adjourned until the next available meeting.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 11.20 am

Councillor P Whiteley