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)