

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Licensing Sub-Committee**
held on Friday, 10th October, 2014 at Fred Flint Room, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)

Councillors D Bebbington, I Faseyi and L Smetham

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Sheela Dutton, Lawyer
Andrew Poynton, Legal Assistant (Observer)
Vilma Robson, Licensing Officer
Julie Zientek, Democratic Services Officer

37 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED – That Councillor P Whiteley be appointed Chairman.

38 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor L Jeuda.

39 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

40 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED - That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item pursuant to Section 100(A) 4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that it 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.

41 14-15/17: 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 was not in attendance at the hearing.

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, including a letter submitted by the licence holder, 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 under section 61(1)(b) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 ('the 1976 Act') with immediate effect (in accordance with section 61(2B) of the 1976 Act) in the interests of Public Safety.

The Sub-Committee noted that the Licence Holder would be reminded of the right to appeal this decision to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days.

The meeting commenced at 2.30 pm and concluded at 2.57 pm

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)