Licensing and Regulatory Sub-Committee



Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Sub-Committee held on Monday 19 February 2018 at 10.00 am at the Council Chamber, District Offices, College Heath Road, Mildenhall IP28 7EY

Present: Councillors

Chairman Brian Harvey

Simon Cole Carol Lynch

In Attendance:

Mary Evans St Edmundsbury Borough

Council (Observer)

48. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

49. Substitutes

There were no substitutes at the meeting.

50. Election of Chairman

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Brian Harvey be elected as Chairman.

51. Exclusion of Press and Public

With the vote being unanimous, it was

RESOLVED:

That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as prescribed in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and indicated against each item.

52. Application for the Grant of a Combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence (Exempt: Para 1)

The Chairman sought consent from the applicant to allow St Edmundsbury Borough Councillor Mary Evans to remain in the meeting to observe proceedings for training purposes.

The Business Partner (Litigation/Licensing) welcomed all present to the Hearing, reported that no declarations of interest had been received and introductions to the Panel were made by the Chairman.

The Chairman outlined the procedure for the conduct of the Hearing as attached to the agenda.

The Licensing Officer presented the report which explained that Members were requested to consider an application for a combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

The Sub-Committee needed to be satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence issued by the Council. The Licensing Officer drew attention to Appendix 3 of Report No: LSC/FH/18/002 which set out the Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle Licensing Criminal Convictions Policy and which served as guidance for Members.

The applicant attended the meeting to present their case and answer Members' questions.

Following which the Sub-Committee retired to another room to give further consideration to the matter.

On returning to the Council Chamber the Business Partner (Litigation/Licensing) advised all on the Sub-Committee's decision.

With the vote being unanimous, it was

RESOLVED

That the applicant be **GRANTED** a three year combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence subject to the successful completion of the appropriate college course.

The meeting concluded at 10.37am

Signed by:

Chairman