

Minutes

of the Meeting of

The Licensing Sub-Committee

Tuesday, 26 October 2021

Rickford Room - Town Hall

Meeting Commenced: 10.30 am

Meeting Concluded: 11.30 am

Councillors:

Peter Bryant

Caroline Cherry

Andy Cole

Officers in attendance: Geoff Booker and Sioux Isherwood (Licensing Officers, Public Health), Sara Saunders (Solicitor and Senior Legal Advisor to the Licensing Sub-Committee)

LSC Election of Chairman for the meeting

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Resolved: that Councillor Cole be elected Chairman for the meeting.

Councillor Cole in the Chair

LSC Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (Standing Order 37)

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None.

LSC Adoption of hearing procedure

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Resolved: that the hearing procedure be adopted.

LSC Exclusion of the press and public

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Exclusion of the press and public

The Sub-Committee was invited to pass the following resolutions:

“(1) That the press, public, and officers not required by the Members, the Chief Executive or the Director, to remain during the exempt session, be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the ground that its consideration will involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Section 100I of the Local Government Act 1972, by virtue of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act”

Also, if appropriate, the following resolution should be passed –

“(2) That members of the Council who are not members of this Sub-Committee

be invited to remain.”

Resolved: that the resolutions be passed.

Item	Reason for Exemption
Minute No. LSC 11	Paragraphs 1 & 2 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

LSC 11 Review of a Private Hire Driver's Licence - Case No. 03-2021-22

Geoff Booker reported for the Director of Public Health on the Review of a Private Hire Driver’s Licence, and then responded to questions from the Sub-Committee.

The Private Hire Driver’s Licence Holder did not attend the Sub-Committee to give oral testimony or provide any documentation to rebut the evidence.

Resolved:

(1) that the Sub-Committee did not feel that the Licence Holder was a fit and proper person to hold a Private Driver’s Licence, and consequently revoked the Private Hire Driver’s Licence on the grounds of Public Safety, with immediate effect.

(2) that the Sub-Committee decided an opportunity should be given to the holder to re-apply for a new Private Hire Driver’s Licence (PHDL) and would consider granting a new Licence if they decided the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a PHDL after hearing from the applicant concerning the allegations regarding past behaviour.

Chairman
