
LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the Meeting held in the Council Chamber - Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT on Tuesday, 8 May 2018 from 10.00 - 10.50 am.

PRESENT: Councillors Cameron Beart (Chairman), Ted Wilcox (Substitute for Councillor Roger Clark) and Tony Winckless.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Katherine Bescoby, Tom Dunn and Robin Harris.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Roger Clark.

645 FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Chairman made sure that those present were aware of the fire evacuation procedure.

646 NOTIFICATION OF CHAIRMAN AND OUTLINE OF PROCEDURE

The Chairman opened the meeting by introducing the Sub-Committee and asked officers to introduce themselves.

647 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

648 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved:

(1) That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act:

1. Information relating to any individual.

2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

649 REVIEW OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Licensing Officer introduced the report which sought to consider whether the respondent, who had accumulated a total of 22 penalty points on their Swale Driving Badge, was a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

The Licensing Officer referred to the fact that the respondent had attended a Sub-Committee meeting on 24 July 2017 after accumulating 18 penalty points, and had since accumulated four additional points for failing to display the external licence plate.

The Chairman asked the respondent to present their case and Members asked questions.

Members of the Sub-Committee adjourned to make their decision.

Members of the Sub-Committee, the Senior Lawyer (Contentious) and the Democratic and Electoral Services Manager returned to the meeting and the decision, as attached as Appendix 1 to these minutes, was announced.

Resolved:

(1) That the Respondent's Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence be suspended for a period of 7 days.

Chairman

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