
LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT on Monday, 24 September 2018 from 3.35pm - 4.34pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Cameron Beart (Chairman), Tina Booth and Roger Clark.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Mohammad Bauluck, Philippa Davies and Robin Harris.

228 FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE

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

229 NOTIFICATION OF CHAIRMAN AND OUTLINE OF PROCEDURE

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

230 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

Part B Minutes for the Licensing Sub-Committee to decide

231 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved:

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 Schedule 12A of the Act:

- 1. Information relating to any individual.***
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.***

232 REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Licensing Officer introduced the report which sought to consider whether the Respondent, who had accumulated a total of 12 penalty points on their Swale Driver's Badge, was a fit and proper person to hold a Swale Dual Taxi Driver's Licence. The Licensing Officer explained that a driver could have up to 11 Swale penalty points, but as soon as a driver reached 12 or more penalty points, the driver was brought to the Licensing Sub-Committee.

The Licensing Officer detailed the incidents at which the Respondent had accumulated 12 penalty points, as below:

6 points for driving the wrong way up a one-way street;
6 points for failure to notify the Licensing Section about a conviction.

The Licensing Officer added that the Respondent previously had 16 penalty points, but four penalty points were removed as they expired in August 2018.

The Chairman asked the Respondent to present their case, and was asked questions.

Members of the Sub-Committee adjourned at 4.05pm to make their decision.

Members of the Sub-Committee, the Senior Lawyer and the Democratic Services Officer returned to the meeting at 4.30pm and the decision, attached as Appendix I to these minutes was announced.

Resolved:

(1) That the Respondent's Swale Dual Taxi Driver's Licence not be suspended, but a warning be given to the Respondent.

Chairman

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