

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WALLFIELDS,  
HERTFORD ON WEDNESDAY 13  
FEBRUARY 2013, AT 2.00 PM

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PRESENT: Councillor M McMullen (Chairman).  
Councillors W Ashley and P Ballam.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Lorraine Blackburn	- Democratic Services Officer
Paul Newman	- Licensing Manager
George Robertson	- Legal Services Manager

33 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor W Ashley and seconded by Councillor Mrs P Ballam that Councillor M McMullen be appointed Chairman of the Licensing Sub-Committee for the meeting.

RESOLVED – that Councillor M McMullen be appointed Chairman of the Licensing Sub-Committee for the meeting.

34 MINUTES – 14 JANUARY 2013

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2013 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

35 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Sub-Committee passed a resolution pursuant to Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended, to exclude the press and public during consideration of the business referred to in Minutes 36 – 37 on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure

of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act.

36 APPLICATION FOR A TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE –  
APPLICANT WITH UNSPENT CONVICTIONS APPLICATION  
NUMBER 021526

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The Licensing Manager advised the Sub-Committee of the details of the application and provided background information in relation to the applicant. The Sub-Committee was asked to consider whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Taxi Driver's Licence. The Licensing Manager reminded the Sub-Committee that the Policy referred to in the report had not been approved yet so should be disregarded. The Sub-Committee noted that the applicant was not present.

At the conclusion of representations, the Sub-Committee withdrew with the Legal Services Manager and the Democratic Services Officer to consider the evidence.

Following this, they returned and the Chairman announced the decision of the Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee had carefully considered the application and felt that the applicant's submission had not demonstrated that he was a fit and proper person to hold a taxi drivers' licence on the grounds of his convictions, some of which were very recent. The applicant had also failed to complete the convictions section disclosing his previous convictions on the application.

RESOLVED – that in respect of application 021526, the application be refused.

37 APPLICATION FOR A TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE –  
APPLICATION WITH DRIVING CONVICTIONS  
APPLICATION NUMBER 022099

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The Licensing Manager advised the Sub-Committee of the details of the application and provided background information in relation to the applicant. The Sub-

Committee was asked to consider whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Taxi Driver’s Licence. The Licensing Manager reminded the Sub-Committee that the Policy referred to in the report had not been approved yet so should be disregarded. The Sub-Committee noted that the applicant was not present.

At the conclusion of representations, the Sub-Committee withdrew with the Legal Services Manager and the Democratic Services Officer to consider the evidence.

Following this, they returned and the Chairman announced the decision of the Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee had carefully considered the application and felt that the applicant’s submission had not demonstrated that he was a fit and proper person to hold a taxi drivers’ licence due to his failure to disclose his previous convictions on his application form, some of which were quite recent.

RESOLVED – that in respect of application 022099, the application be refused.

The meeting closed at 2.25 pm

Chairman .....
Date .....