

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE LICENSING (GENERAL PURPOSES) SUB-COMMITTEE -
24 SEPTEMBER 2015

SUBMITTED TO THE LICENSING & REGULATORY COMMITTEE –
26 NOVEMBER 2015

(To be read in conjunction with the Agenda for the Meeting)

Present

Cllr Simon Inchbald (Chairman)
Cllr Peter Isherwood

Cllr Anna James
Cllr Bob Upton

Apologies

Cllr Patricia Ellis

Also Present

Cllr Libby Piper

28. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS (Agenda item 2.)

An apology for absence was received from Cllr Patricia Ellis. Cllr Maurice Byham attended as a substitute.

29. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Agenda item 3.)

There were no interests declared under this heading.

PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

There were no matters falling within this category.

PART II - MATTERS OF REPORT

The background papers relating to the following items are as set out in the reports included in the original agenda papers.

30. APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM PRIVATE HIRE PLATE DISPLAY
(Agenda item 4.)

The Sub-Committee considered a request from Mr Richard Miles for exemption from the requirement to display the private hire licence plate on a private hire vehicle licensed by the Council. The request was considered in the absence of Mr Richard Miles and it was

RESOLVED that the request for exemption from the requirement to display a private hire licence plate on any occasion when the vehicle is used for chauffeur purposes be granted to Mr Miles in respect of his vehicle, Private Hire Plate no. 239, because the nature of the applicant's business is such that there is justification for not displaying the plate.

31. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC (Agenda item 5.)

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Procedure Rule 20 and in accordance with Section 100B(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during the items, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information (as defined by section 100I of the Act) of the description specified in paragraph 1 of the revised Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the act, namely:-

Information relating to any individual (paragraph1)

32. APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE (Agenda item 6.)

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence where the applicant's DVLA driver's licence had disclosed a motoring offence, which the applicant also disclosed on the application form.

The applicant attended the meeting and confirmed that he had received and had understood the agenda papers.

Following questions by the Sub-Committee and responses from the applicant the Sub-Committee withdrew at 11.18 am.

Following the Sub-Committee's deliberation the meeting resumed at 11.45 am. The Council's Solicitor had been asked to advise the Sub-Committee during their deliberation on the wording of their decision.

RESOLVED that, on the balance of probabilities and for the reasons given in the Exempt Annexe to the minutes, the driver was considered to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence and was granted the licence subject to the satisfactory completion of the remainder of the application process.

33. APPLICATION TO RENEW HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE (Agenda item 7.)

The Sub-Committee received a report to enable them to consider an application from a driver to renew his hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence which was currently suspended.

As the applicant wished to be assisted by an interpreter and an official interpreter was not available, the Sub-Committee RESOLVED to

1. adjourn the meeting until 12 October 2015; and
2. suspend the current licence until 12 October 2015.

The meeting commenced at 11.00 am and concluded at 1.10 pm

Chairman