

MINUTES OF: LICENSING COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: 3rd February 2009

**Present: Councillor Eaton (in the Chair)
Councillors Crawforth, Dickinson, Morris, C. Pilling,
Robertson (substitute for Councillor Wilson), H. Steen,
P. Steen (substitute for Councillor Evans) and Unsworth**

**In Attendance: Clare Birtwistle, Assistant Head of Legal Services
Tracy Brzozowski, Licensing Manager**

Also Present: 4 Members of the Public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Evans and Wilson.

2. MINUTES

Resolved:

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on the 16th December 2008 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

3. URGENT ITEM OF BUSINESS

The Chair reported that there were no urgent items of business.

The Chair reported that Item C2 - Consideration of Revocation of Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence – PW had been withdrawn from the Agenda.

The Licensing Manager provided an update from the Taxi Liaison Group meeting regarding a forthcoming consultation on the licensing of Multi Purpose Vehicle (MPV). She informed the Committee that following the consultation period, a report would be prepared for consideration by the Committee in March. Until such time no new licences for vehicles for more than 4 passengers would be licensed unless the Licensing Team were satisfied that all rows of seats had direct access to a minimum of one door, and that all doors are capable of being opened from inside and outside the vehicle as agreed at the last meeting of the Committee.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

5. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Resolved:

That the public and press be excluded from the following items of business under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 since they involve the disclosure of exempt information under Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

6. PROPOSED REVOCATION OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE: MH

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant and his representative to the meeting.

The Licensing Manager presented the report detailing the circumstances surrounding the proposed revocation of the Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The Applicant's representative presented information in support of the Applicant.

The Applicant, the Applicant's representative and the Licensing Manager left the room to enable the Committee to determine the application.

Resolved:

That the Licence not be revoked under Section 61 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. The Committee consider that the Applicant is a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence.

7. NEW APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE LICENCE: KM

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant and his representative to the meeting.

The Licensing Manager presented the report detailing the circumstances surrounding the new application for a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence.

The Applicant's representative presented information in support of the application.

The Applicant, the applicant's representative and the Licensing Manager left the room to enable the Committee to determine the application.

Resolved:

That the matter be deferred.

The meeting commenced at 6.30pm and closed at 8.30pm

CHAIRMAN