



Licensing Sub-Committee

Minutes – 30 April 2014

Attendance

Members of the Sub-Committee

Cllr Bishan Dass (chair)
Cllr Alan Bolshaw
Cllr Mark Evans

Employees

Education and Enterprise

Elaine Moreton Section Leader (Licensing)

Delivery

Sarah Hardwick Senior Solicitor
Linda Banbury Democratic Support Officer

Part 1 – items open to the press and public

<i>Item No.</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Action</i>
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BUSINESS ITEMS

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| 1. | Apologies for Absence
There were no apologies for absence. | - |
| 2. | Declarations of interest
No interests were declared. | - |

DECISION ITEMS

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

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| 3. | Exclusion of press and public
Resolved:
That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act. | |
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Part 2 – exempt items, closed to the press and public

4. **Application for a private hire vehicle driver's licence**

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, introductions were made and he outlined the procedure to be followed.

Mr Abdul was in attendance at the meeting in connection with his application for a private hire vehicle driver's licence and responded to questions as appropriate.

The Section Leader (Licensing) outlined the report, which had been circulated to all parties in advance of the meeting.

Mr Abdul was afforded the opportunity to make a final statement.

The Section Leader (Licensing) and Mr Abdul withdrew from the meeting to enable the Sub-Committee to reach their decision. The Sub-Committee considered all the evidence presented at the meeting and the Solicitor advised them of the options open to them in determining the application.

The parties returned to the meeting and the Chair advised the parties of the decision of the Sub-Committee as follows:

(a) The Sub-Committee noted in particular the criminal offence of Mr Abdul in 2004 and the fact that the Council's guidelines relating to Relevance of Convictions and Breaches of Licence conditions state, under section 5.1.9 (sexual offences), that a new licence will not normally be granted. In the circumstances the Sub-Committee do not believe that Mr Abdul is a fit and proper person and, therefore, in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and guideline 5.1.9, have resolved to not to grant the application for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence.

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(b) The applicant has a right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of receipt of this decision.