

M M I N U T E S

meeting: **LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE**

date: **30 MAY 2012**

PRESENT:-

Councillor Dass (Chair)
Councillors Claymore and Clarke

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:-

Delivery (Governance)

L Banbury, Democratic Support Officer
L Cross, Principal Solicitor (for Agenda Item 6)
L Moses-Copeman, Solicitor (for Agenda Items 4 and 5)

Education and Enterprise (Regulatory Services)

E Moreton, Section Leader, Licensing

Wolverhampton
City Council



PART I - OPEN ITEMS

Declarations of Interest

9. No interests were declared.

Exclusion of Press and Public

10. Resolved:-
That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from consideration of the items of business in Part II of the Agenda, on the grounds that in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, exempt information falling within paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Act (information relating to the business affairs of particular persons) is likely to be disclosed.

PART II - EXEMPT ITEMS

Application for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence (Appendix 5)

The Chair introduced the Sub-Committee and Officers. The Section Leader (Licensing) then briefly outlined the report.

Mr Shafiq was in attendance at the meeting in connection with his application for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence and answered questions raised by Members of the Sub-Committee and Officers as appropriate.

All parties, with the exception of the City Council's Solicitor and Democratic Support Officer, withdrew from the meeting to enable the Sub-Committee to make their decision. The City Council's Solicitor outlined the powers available to the Sub-Committee in determining the application.

11. Resolved:-
That, a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence be granted to Mr M Shafiq for a period of twelve months, subject to a satisfactory medical report and his passing the driving ability and knowledge tests.

The parties returned and the Chair outlined the decision of the Sub-Committee. The applicant then withdrew.

Review of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence (Appendix 6)

The Chair introduced the Sub-Committee and Officers. The Licensing Officer briefly outlined the review. She advised the Sub-Committee that the driver had now passed the knowledge course, returned the unused private hire plates and produced his motor insurance policy to Licensing Services.

Mr Iqbal was in attendance at the meeting in connection with the review of his Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence, as requested by the Sub-Committee, and answered questions raised by Members and Officers as appropriate.

All parties, with the exception of the City Council's Solicitor and Democratic Support Officer, withdrew from the meeting to enable the Sub-Committee to make their decision. The City Council's Solicitor outlined the powers available to the Sub-Committee in determining the review.

12. Resolved:-

That, having given careful consideration to all the information contained in the Licensing Officer's report and listened to the representations made by the driver at the meeting, the Sub-Committee agree to take no further action in respect of this matter. The decision is, however, subject to review by the Head of Service in 12 months.

The parties returned and the Chair outlined the decision of the Sub-Committee. The driver then withdrew.

Review of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence (Appendix 7)

The Chair introduced the Sub-Committee and Officers. The Licensing Officer briefly outlined the review.

Mr Saeed was in attendance at the meeting in respect of the review of his Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence and answered questions raised by Members of the Sub-Committee and Officers as appropriate.

All parties, with the exception of the City Council's Solicitor and Democratic Support Officer, withdrew from the meeting to enable the Sub-Committee to make their decision. The City Council's Solicitor outlined the powers available to the Sub-Committee in determining the review.

13. Resolved:-

That, having given careful consideration to all the information contained in the Licensing Officer's report and listened to the representations made by the driver at the meeting, the Sub-Committee agree that Mr B Saeed was a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence and decided to take no further action in respect of this matter.

The parties returned and the Chair outlined the decision of the Sub-Committee. The driver then withdrew.