

M M I N U T E S

meeting: **LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE**

date: **12 DECEMBER 2012**

PRESENT:-

Councillor Dass (Chair)

Councillors Claymore and Mrs Patten (Substitute for Councillor Clarke)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:-

Delivery (Governance)

L Kiely, Democratic Support Officer

S Hardwick, Senior Solicitor

L Wilsden, (Work Experience – in the capacity of observer,
with the approval all parties)

Education and Enterprise (Regulatory Services)

E Moreton, Section Leader, Licensing

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor
Clarke

Wolverhampton
City Council



PART I - OPEN ITEMS

Declarations of Interest

11. No interests were declared.

Exclusion of Press and Public

12. 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 Licensing Officer briefly outlined the application having regard to the applicant's history of convictions.

Mr Gardner was in attendance at the meeting, in connection with his application for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence, as requested by the Sub-Committee, and he 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 application.

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 Mr Gardner, the Sub-Committee agree for Mr Gardner to be granted a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence. The decision is subject to Mr Gardner attending a Review Meeting with the Licensing Manager in six months time.

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

Application for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence (Appendix 6)

The Chair introduced the Sub-Committee and Officers. The Licensing Officer briefly outlined the application having regard to the applicant's history of convictions.

Mr Jangir was in attendance at the meeting, in connection with his application for 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 application.

14. Resolved:-

That, having given careful consideration to all the information contained in the Licensing Officer's report and listened to the representations made by Mr Jangir at the meeting, the Sub-Committee agree to grant Mr Jangir a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence. The decision is subject to Mr Jangir attending a Review meeting with the Licensing Manager in six months time.

Mr Jangir 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 7)

The Chair introduced the Sub-Committee and Officers. The Licensing Officer briefly outlined the review having regard to the driver's history of convictions.

Mr Durrani 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.

15. 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, the Sub-Committee agree that Mr Durrani is not a fit and proper person following his conviction for using a mobile phone while driving and his failure to notify Licensing Services of the conviction, and therefore his private hire drivers licence is to be

suspended for a period of 14 days in accordance with 5.1.23(a) and 5.1.18 (b) of the Guidelines Relating to Relevance of Convictions and Breaches of Licence Conditions. Further, Mr Durrani is to attend a Review Meeting with the Licensing Manager in six and twelve months time.

Mr Durrani returned and the Chair outlined the decision of the Sub-Committee. Mr Durrani then withdrew.