Minutes of a Meeting of the General Licensing Committee held in the Hub, Mareham Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6PH on Monday, 26th June, 2023 at 2.00 pm.

PRESENT

Councillor Sandra Campbell-Wardman (Chairman) Councillor Neil Jones (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors Richard Avison, Graham Cullen, Stephen Evans, Darren Hobson, George Horton, Andrew Leonard, Carl Macey, Terry Taylor and Billy Brookes.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Adrian Twiddy - Principal Licensing Officer

Andy Goldsborough - Legal Advisor

Elaine Speed - Senior Democratic Services Officer and Civic

Officer

Lynda Eastwood - Democratic Services Officer

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

It was noted that, in accordance with Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, notice had been given that Councillor Billy Brookes had been appointed to the Committee in place of Councillor Danny Brookes, for this Meeting only.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (IF ANY):

At this point in the meeting, Members were asked to disclose any relevant interests. The following interests were disclosed:

- Councillor Cullen asked it be noted that he was a personal licence holder.
- Councillor Macey asked it be noted that he was a personal licence holder and, in relation to Item 5, he was a personal friend of the family so he would leave the meeting for that item.
- Councillor Leonard asked it be noted that he was a personal licence holder.

5. MINUTES:

The Open Minutes of the General Licensing Committee Meeting held on 13th March 2023 and the Minutes of the Special Meeting held at the rising of the Annual General Meeting held on 24 May 2023 were agreed as a correct record.

6. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS:

It was proposed and seconded that the public and press be excluded from the meeting.

RESOLVED

That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that, if they were present, there could be disclosed exempt information as defined at paragraphs 1, 2 and 7 of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act (as Amended).

N.B. Councillor Macey left the meeting at 2:04pm.

7. HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER - RAPID RESPONSE PROCEDURE:

A report was presented regarding the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver – Rapid Response Procedure. The report and attached appendix were considered in Exempt Session.

Following which it was

RESOLVED:

That the summary set out at the Confidential Appendix A of the report be noted.

N.B. Councillor Macey returned to the meeting at 2:10pm.

8. REVIEW OF ANIMAL WELFARE LICENCE (DOG BOARDING):

An Exempt Report was presented on a Review of Animal Welfare Licence (Dog Boarding).

Following which it was

RESOLVED:

That the decision highlighted within the Exempt Minute be approved.

9. REVIEW OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER LICENCES:

An Exempt report was presented regarding a review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence.

Following which it was

RESOLVED:

That the decision highlighted within the Exempt Minute be approved.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The programmed date for the next Meeting of this Committee was noted as 18 September 2023.

The Meeting closed at 5.35 pm.