

Minutes of a Meeting of the General Licensing Committee held in the Hub, Mareham Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6PH on Monday, 11th March, 2024 at 2.00pm.

PRESENT

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

Councillors Richard Avison, Stephen Evans, Darren Hobson,
George Horton, Andrew Leonard and Carl Macey.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Adrian Twiddy - Principal Licensing Officer
Kim Robertson - Legal Advisor
Lynda Eastwood - Democratic Services Officer
Laura Allen - Democratic Services Officer

38. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Billy Brookes and Terry Taylor.

39. 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 Carl Macey asked it be noted that he was a personal licence holder.
- Councillor Andrew Leonard asked it be noted that he was a Magistrate.

40. MINUTES:

The Open and Exempt Minutes of the General Licensing Committee Meeting held on 15 January 2024 and Open and Exempt Minutes of the General Licensing Committee Meeting held on 22 February 2024 were agreed as a correct record.

41. 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).

42. EQUALITY ACT 2010 - HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER WHEELCHAIR EXEMPTION:

An open report was submitted by the Group Manager Public Protection which asked Members to consider an application submitted by a licensed driver under Section 166 of the Equality Act 2010 for an exemption from the duties to assist passengers in wheelchairs

The Principal Licensing Officer advised Members that the situation with the licence holder had changed as their licence had been suspended, pending some medical evidence. It was proposed that the item be adjourned to the next meeting.

Following which, it was,

RESOLVED

That the item be adjourned to the next meeting on 22 April 2024.

43. APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER LICENCES:

Adrian Twiddy, Principal Licensing Officer presented Members with an exempt report relating to an application for hackney carriage and private hire vehicle driver licences.

Following which, it was

RESOLVED

That the licence application be refused.

The Meeting closed at 3.07 pm.