Minutes of a Meeting of the General Licensing Committee held in the Hub, Mareham Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6PH on Monday, 15th July, 2024 at 10.30am.

PRESENT

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

Councillors Richard Avison, Stephen Evans, David Hall, Darren Hobson, Andrew Leonard and Terry Taylor.

Councillor David Hall attended the Meeting as a Substitute.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Donna Hall - Group Manager Public Protection Neil Brooks - Licensing Compliance Officer

Kim Robertson - Legal Advisor

Lynda Eastwood - Democratic Services Officer

10. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Graham Cullen, George Horton and Carl Macey.

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 David Hall had been appointed to the Committee in place of Councillor Graham Cullen for this Meeting only.

11. 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 Andrew Leonard asked it be noted that he was a personal licence holder and a Magistrate.

12. MINUTES:

The Open and Exempt Minutes of the General Licensing Meeting held on 3 June 2024 were agreed as a correct record.

13. 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).

14. HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - RAPID RESPONSE PROCEDURE:

Donna Hall, the Group Manager Public Protection presented a report to Members regarding the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver – Rapid Response Procedure. The report and attached confidential Appendix A 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.

15. APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCES:

Members agreed for the running order of the Agenda to be changed to accommodate the arrival of the licence applicants.

Donna Hall, Group Manager Public Protection, 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 granted, as set out in the Exempt Minute.

16. APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCES:

Donna Hall, Group Manager Public Protection, 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, as set out in the Exempt Minute.

17. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCES:

Donna Hall, Group Manager Public Protection, presented Members with an exempt report relating to an application for renewal of hackney carriage and private hire vehicle driver licences.

Following which, it was

RESOLVED

That the licence application be granted, as set out in the Exempt Minute.

18. APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE:

Donna Hall, Group Manager Public Protection, presented Members with an Exempt report relating to an application for a private hire vehicle driver licence.

Following which, it was

RESOLVED

That the licence application be refused, as set out in the Exempt Minute.

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 30 September 2024.

The Meeting closed at 1.32pm.