

Agenda Item 4

MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

held 13th February 2012

PRESENT: Councillors John Campbell (Chair), Jenny Armstrong and Ian Saunders

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1. **WELCOME AND HOUSEKEEPING ARRANGEMENTS**

1.1 The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting and outlined basic housekeeping and fire safety arrangements.

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

2.1 No apologies for absence were received. Councillor Philip Wood attended the meeting as reserve Member, but was not required to stay.

3. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

3.1 **RESOLVED:** That the public and press be excluded from the meeting before discussion takes place on the item of business to be considered on the grounds that, if the public and press were present during the transaction of such business, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

4. **HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING**

4.1 The Chief Licensing Officer submitted details in respect of two cases relating to Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing.

4.2 The applicant in Case No. 16/12 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.

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4.4 **RESOLVED:** That the cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Licence Type</u>	<u>Decision</u>
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| 16/12 | Renewal application for a Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence | (i) Grant a short term licence for 3 months, in view of the offences and convictions now reported and, on renewal, authority be given to grant the applicant an 18 month licence, subject to there being no further offences or convictions reported; (ii) the applicant be issued with a written warning as to his future conduct and should there be any further issues occurring, then the applicant be referred back to the Sub-Committee, and (iii) the applicant be required to inform the Licensing Authority of the outcome of the pending investigation led by Capita regarding potential benefit fraud. |
| 17/12 | Application for a first Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence | Refuse the application for a licence, on the basis of the offences and convictions now reported and the answers to the questions raised, and accordingly, the Sub-Committee's view that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a licence. |