

NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 26 October 2010

PRESENT: Councillor Wilson (Chair); Councillor Markham (Deputy Chair); Councillors Caswell, Chaudhury, Conroy, Duncan, Reeve and Varnserry

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Capstick, C Lill and Woods

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 25th May 2010 were agreed and signed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

3. DEPUTATIONS / PUBLIC ADDRESSES

RESOLVED

That the persons referred to in the private part of the agenda be granted leave to address the Committee.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

5. MATTERS OF URGENCY WHICH BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE CHAIR IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED

The Chair reminded members of the 3 forthcoming Sub-Committee hearings. Councillors Varnserry, Duncan and Caswell agreed to sit on the Committee on 4th November 2010 at 10am and 11.30am. Councillors Varnserry, Wilson and Duncan agreed to sit on the Committee on Tuesday 23rd November 2010 at 10am.

6. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Chair moved that the Public and Press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that there was likely to be disclosure to them of such categories of exempt information as defined by Section 100(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 as listed against such items of business by reference to the appropriate paragraph of Schedule 12A to such Act.

The Motion was Carried.

7. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Licensing Officer informed the Committee that the driver had failed to appear at the meeting and no apology had been submitted.

RESOLVED:

That the case be deferred to the next Licensing Committee

8. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances of the offence set out in the report.

The Committee heard the representations made and reached a decision with regard to any further action to be taken of the evidence presented.

RESLOVED:

1. That the driver on a balance of probability was not a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hires Driver's Licence.
2. That the Driver's Private Hire Licence be suspended for a period of one week following a period of 21 days after his receipt of notification form the Licensing Authority during which time he had the right of appeal to Magistrates.

9. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances of the offence set out in the report.

The Committee heard the representations made and reached a decision with regard to any further action to be taken of the evidence presented.

RESLOVED:

3. That the driver on a balance of probability was not a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hires Driver's Licence.
4. That the Driver's Private Hire Licence be suspended for a period of two weeks following a period of 21 days after his receipt of notification form the Licensing Authority during which time he had the right of appeal to Magistrates.

10. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances of the offence set out in the report.

The Committee heard the representations made and reached a decision with regard to any further action to be taken of the evidence presented.

RESLOVED:

5. That the driver on a balance of probability was not a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hires Driver's Licence.
6. That the Driver's Private Hire Licence be suspended for a period of one week following a period of 21 days after his receipt of notification form the Licensing Authority during which time he had the right of appeal to Magistrates.

11. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Licensing Officer informed the Committee that the Driver had contacted him and explained that he had returned from holiday that evening and was therefore unable to attend.

RESLOVED:

That the case be deferred to the next Licensing Committee

12. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances of the offence set out in the report.

The Committee heard the representations made and reached a decision with regard to any further action to be taken of the evidence presented.

RESLOVED:

7. That the driver on a balance of probability was not a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hires Driver's Licence.
8. That the driver be issued with a caution.

13. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances of the offence set out in the report.

The Committee heard the representations made and reached a decision with regard to any further action to be taken of the evidence presented.

RESLOVED:

9. That the driver on a balance of probability was not a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hires Driver's Licence.
10. That the Driver's Private Hire Licence be suspended for a period of one week following a period of 21 days after his receipt of notification from the Licensing Authority during which time he had the right of appeal to Magistrates.

The meeting concluded at 20.37

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