

NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 7 April 2015

PRESENT: Councillor Malpas (Chair); Councillor Hill (Deputy Chair); Councillors Eales, Hibbert, Larratt and Sargeant.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Ansell, Conroy, King, Mennell and Stone.

2. DEPUTATIONS / PUBLIC ADDRESSES

Private Hire drivers and representatives were given leave to address the Committee as set out in the confidential supplementary minutes for this meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

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

There were none.

5. 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 paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A to such Act.

The Motion was Carried.

6. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Senior Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances as set out in the report.

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

RESOLVED:

That the Private Hire Driver's Licence be suspended for four weeks.

7. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances as set out in the report.

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

RESOLVED:

That the Private Hire Driver's Licence be suspended for six weeks.

8. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances as set out in the report.

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

RESOLVED:

That the Private Hire Driver's Licence be suspended for two weeks.

9. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances as set out in the report.

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

RESOLVED:

That the Private Hire Driver's Licence be revoked.

10. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances as set out in the report.

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

RESOLVED:

1. That the Private Hire Operator's Licence be revoked.
2. That the Private Hire Driver's Licence be suspended for four months.

11. REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The driver was not present and had not given a reason for his absence. The Committee decided unanimously to hear the case in his absence. The Licensing Officer outlined the circumstances as set out in the report.

The Committee reached a decision with regard to any further action to be taken.

RESOLVED:

That the Private Hire Driver's Licence be suspended for four weeks.

12. CHAIR'S THANKS

The Chair again thanked members and officers for their work during the Council year and also again expressed best wishes to Mr Bayliss, Senior Licensing Officer, who would be leaving the Council in May 2015.

The meeting concluded at 15:53 hours.