

EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee: Licensing Sub-Committee **Date:** 8 November 2016

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, **Time:** 10.05 - 10.46 am
High Street, Epping

Members Present: D Dorrell (Chairman), A Lion, B Rolfe and B Surtees

Other Councillors:

Apologies:

Officers Present: K Tuckey (Licensing Manager), R Ferriera (Assistant Solicitor) and A Hendry (Senior Democratic Services Officer)

30. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made pursuant to the Member's Code of Conduct.

31. PROCEDURE FOR THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

The Sub-Committee noted the agreed procedure for the conduct of business.

32. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below on the grounds that they would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972:

<u>Agenda Item No</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Exempt Information Paragraph Number</u>
5	Application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr Latif	1
6	Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr Peel	1

33. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 AS AMENDED - APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR LATIF

The Sub-Committee considered an application by Mr M Latif for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors D Dorrell, B Rolfe and B Surtees. Members noted that Officers did not have delegated powers to grant this application and, as a result, the application had to be considered by the Sub-Committee.

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant and introduced the Members and Officers present. The Licensing Manager informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances by which the licence could not be issued under delegated authority.

The Applicant made a statement in support of his application before answering a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee. The Applicant then made a short closing statement to the Sub-Committee before the Chairman requested that the Applicant leave the Chamber whilst the Sub-Committee debated the application in private.

The Chairman invited the Applicant back into the Chamber and informed him of the Sub-Committee's decision.

RESOLVED:

That the application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence for Mr M Latif be granted subject to him passing the standard Council tests and the Licensing Manager having sight of his TfL Private Hire Licence.

34. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 AS AMENDED - PRIVATE HIRER DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR PEEL

The Sub-Committee considered an application for the renewal of a Private Hire Driver's Licence by Mr C Peel. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors D Dorrell, B Rolfe and B Surtees. Members noted that Officers did not have delegated powers to grant this application and, as a result, the application had to be considered by the Sub-Committee.

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant and introduced the Members and Officers present. The Licensing Manager informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances under which the Licence could not be issued under delegated authority.

The Applicant made a short statement in support of his application before answering a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee. The Applicant then made a short closing statement to the Sub-Committee before the Chairman requested that the Applicant leave the Chamber whilst the Sub-Committee debated the application in private.

The Chairman invited the Applicant back into the Chamber and informed him of the Sub-Committee's decision.

Resolved:

(1) That the application for the renewal of a Private Hire Driver's Licence by Mr Peel be granted; and

(2) That the Applicant be given a formal written warning over any future transgressions of his Licensing conditions and that he was reminded that he should let the Licensing section know as soon as possible in the future if something similar happened.

CHAIRMAN