

# EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday 12 September 2023, 10.15 am - 11.00 am

## Council Chamber - Civic Offices

**Members Present:** Councillors P Keska (Chairman), , L Mead, R Morgan and J M Whitehouse

**Officers In Attendance:** Laura Kirman (Democratic Services Officer), Debbie Houghton (Licensing Compliance Officer) and Lynne Ridley (Corporate and Data Protection Officer)

### 21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

It was noted that Councillor Mead was substituting for Councillor Stocker, and Councillor R Morgan was substituting for Councillor Lion.

### 22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

### 23 PROCEDURE FOR THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

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

### 24 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

#### RESOLVED:

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press should be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below on the grounds that it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended) or were confidential under Section 100(A)(2):

Agenda Item No	Subject	Exempt Paragraph Information Number
6	Application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence	1
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### 25 APPLICATION FOR A TAXI DRIVER LICENCE SJ

The Licensing Officer advised the Sub Committee that the applicant was unable to attend and had requested that consideration of his application was deferred to the next suitable meeting.

#### Decision:

The Sub- Committee agreed to defer consideration of the application to the next suitable meeting.

**26 APPLICATION FOR A TAXI DRIVER LICENCE**

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence from Mr Emokpae. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors P Keska (Chairman), L Mead and JM Whitehouse. The Chairman welcomed the applicant and introduced the members and officers present.

The Sub Committee received a report on the application and the Licensing Officer informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances under which the licence could not be dealt with under delegated authority. Members of the Sub Committee considered the report and the evidence presented to the hearing by the applicant.

The Chairman informed the applicant of the Sub-Committee's decision, and that the applicant had the right to appeal the decision in a Magistrate's Court within 21 days of the decision.

**Decision:**

- (1) That the application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence by Mr Emokpae be refused

**27 INCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

**CHAIRMAN**