

EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee: Licensing Sub-Committee **Date:** 7 August 2008

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, **Time:** 10.05 - 11.05 am
High Street, Epping

Members Present: R Morgan (Chairman), Mrs P Brooks, Mrs R Gadsby and Ms J Hedges

Other Councillors: D Dodeja

Apologies: None.

Officers Present: R Ferriera (Assistant Solicitor), K Tuckey (Environmental Services) and G J Woodhall (Democratic Services Officer)

16. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with the terms of reference for the Licensing Committee, Councillor R Morgan be elected Chairman for the duration of the Sub-Committee meeting.

17. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

18. PROCEDURE FOR THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

The Sub-Committee noted the agreed procedure for the conduct of business, and the terms of reference.

19. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the item of business set out below as it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Act indicated and the exemption is considered to outweigh the potential public interest in disclosing the information:

<u>Agenda Item No</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Exempt Information Paragraph Number</u>
6	Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr D Mohamed	1
7	Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr M Dagdelen	1

8	Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr Y Fekir	1
9	Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr H Spiliopoulos	1
10	Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr A Uddin	1

20. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR H SPILIOPOULOS

The Sub-Committee considered an application by Mr H Spiliopoulos for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors R Morgan, Mrs R Gadsby and Mrs J Hedges. 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 Assistant Solicitor informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances through which the licence could not be issued under delegated authority by officers.

The applicant made a short statement to the Sub-Committee in support of his application, before answering a number of questions from members of the Sub-Committee. The Chairman requested that the applicant leave the Chamber whilst the Sub-Committee debated his application in private. The Chairman invited the applicant back into the Chamber and informed him of the Sub-Committee's decision.

RESOLVED:

That a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be granted to Mr H Spiliopoulos, subject to the Council's standard terms and conditions.

21. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR Y FEKIR

The Sub-Committee considered an application by Mr Y Fekir for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors R Morgan, Mrs R Gadsby and Mrs P Brooks. 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 Assistant Solicitor informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances through which the licence could not be issued under delegated authority by officers.

The applicant made a short statement to the Sub-Committee 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 his 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 by Mr Y Fekir for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be refused as his DVLA licence contained offences that did not meet the Council's Licensing Criteria.

22. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR D MOHAMED

The Sub-Committee considered an application by Mr D Mohamed for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors R Morgan, Mrs R Gadsby and Mrs P Brooks. 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 Assistant Solicitor informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances through which the licence could not be issued under delegated authority by officers.

The applicant made a short statement to the Sub-Committee 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 his application in private. The Chairman invited the applicant back into the Chamber and informed him of the Sub-Committee's decision.

RESOLVED:

That a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be granted to Mr D Mohamed, subject to the Council's standard terms and conditions.

23. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR M DAGDELEN

The Sub-Committee noted that Mr M Dagdelen was not in attendance to explain the circumstances concerning his application.

RESOLVED:

That the application by Mr M Dagdelen for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be deferred until the next scheduled meeting.

24. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR A UDDIN

The Sub-Committee noted that Mr A Uddin was not in attendance to explain the circumstances concerning his application.

RESOLVED:

That the application by Mr A Uddin for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be deferred until the next scheduled meeting.

25. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982 - APPLICATION FOR A STREET TRADING CONSENT - MR R HOLLAND

The Assistant Solicitor informed the Sub-Committee that this application had been deferred until the next scheduled meeting as there had been concerns expressed about the manner in which the applicant had given the necessary public notice of his application.

CHAIRMAN