EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee: Licensing Sub-Committee Date: 1 March 2011

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Time: 10.30 - 11.45 am

High Street, Epping

Members B Rolfe (Chairman), K Chana, D Wixley and Mrs M McEwen

Present:

Other

Councillors:

Apologies: Mrs R Gadsby

Officers K Tuckey (Senior Licensing Officer), L Cole (Legal Services Officer) and

Present: M Jenkins (Democratic Services Assistant)

81. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Councillor Mrs R Gadsby, Councillor Mrs M McEwen was kind enough to substitute for her.

82. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

83. PROCEDURE FOR THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

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

84. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

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 items of business set out below as they would the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 Schedule 12 (A) of the Act indicated and the exemption is considered to outweigh the potential public interest in disclosing the information:

Agenda Item No	<u>Subject</u>	Exempt Information Paragraph Number
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85. HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR UDDIN

The Sub-Committee considered a new application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence by Mr J Uddin. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors B Rolfe, K Chana and D Wixley. 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.

RESOLVED:

That the application by Mr J Uddin for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be refused as the applicant had not been present at the meeting.

86. HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR HALIM

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence by Mr Abdul Halim. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillor B Rolfe, K Chana and D Wixley. 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 Legal Officer informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances under which the licence could not be renewed under delegated authority.

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 then 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 of the Sub-Committee's decision.

RESOLVED:

That the application by Mr Abdul Halim be granted subject to the Council's standard terms and conditions.

87. INCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED:

That the public and press be invited back into the meeting for the remaining items of business.

88. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - CHIGWELL CARS

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. It was found that Hackney Carriage Proprietor's Licence Chigwell Cars Limited was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders, and had been referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration. Following the publication of the agenda, Chigwell Cars Limited, had passed its interim examination and therefore the licence could continue.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Chigwell Cars Limited be continued as the vehicle inspection had now been satisfactorily carried out.

89. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MR LINNARD

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Mr Linnard was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders, and had been referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Mr Linnard be suspended until his vehicle inspection had been satisfactorily carried out.

90. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MR EL SAYED - OLYMPIC TAXIS

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Mr El Sayed was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders, and had been referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration. It was noted that following the publication of the agenda, Mr El Sayed's vehicle had passed its interim examination and therefore the licence would continue.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Mr El Sayed be continued as his vehicle had now been satisfactorily carried out.

91. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MR FAGBAYI

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Mr Fagbayi was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders, and had been referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration. Following the publication of the agenda, Mr Fagbayi's vehicle had passed its interim examination and therefore the licence would continue.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Mr Fagbayi be continued as his vehicle inspection had now been satisfactorily carried out.

92. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MR FIRTH

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Mr Firth was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders, and had been referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration. Mr Firth advised the Sub-Committee that he was surrendering his Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence plate to the District Council. Therefore there was no decision for the Sub-Committee to make.

93. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MR KABIR

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Mr Kabir was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders. However, his vehicle had failed its test.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Mr Kabir be suspended until his vehicle inspection can be satisfactorily carried out.

94. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MR P SADLER

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Mr P Sadler was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders, and had been referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Mr P Sadler be suspended until his vehicle inspection had been satisfactorily carried out.

95. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MR PAGET

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Mr Paget was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders, and had been referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration. It was noted that following the publication of the agenda, Mr Paget's vehicle had passed its interim examination and therefore the licence would continue.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Mr Paget be continued as his vehicle inspection had now been satisfactorily carried out.

96. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MR WOOSTER

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Mr Wooster was in breach of this condition, despite two reminders. However, it was noted that his vehicle had failed its test.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Mr Wooster be suspended until his vehicle inspection can be satisfactorily carried out.

97. BREACH OF AUTHORITY'S VEHICLE LICENSING CONDITIONS - MISS C LAWSON

The Sub-Committee was informed that the Council's Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence conditions required vehicles to be submitted for interim examinations at testing premises approved by the Council. Miss Lawson was in breach of her condition, despite two reminders, and had been referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration. It was noted that following the publication of the agenda, Miss C Lawson's vehicle had passed its interim examination and therefore the licence would continue.

RESOLVED:

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence for Miss C Lawson be continued as her vehicle inspection had now been satisfactorily carried out.

CHAIRMAN