EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee:	Licensing Sub-Committee	Date:	Tuesday, 6 October 2015
Place:	Council Chamber, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping	Time:	10.00 - 11.05 am
Members Present:	Councillors K Angold-Stephens (Chairman), P Keska and A Lion		
Other Councillors:			
Apologies:	T Thomas		
Officers Present:	A Mitchell (Assistant Director (Leo Manager), R Perrin (Democratic Serv Compliance Officer)		ces)), K Tuckey (Licensing cer) and L Turner (Licensing

28. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor T Thomas.

29. Declarations of Interest

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

30. Procedure for the Conduct of Business

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

31. 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:

Agenda <u>Item No</u>	<u>Subject</u>	Exempt Information Paragraph Number
5	Review of Current Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr Klimcke	1
6	Review of Current Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr Seeley	1
7	Application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr R Cam	1
8	Application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr S Miah	1

32. Change of order to agenda

The Senior Licensing Officer advised that not all the applicants were present and asked the Sub-Committee to re-order the agenda for the applicants in attendance.

RESOLVED:

That the Sub-Committee re-ordered the agenda.

33. Review of Current Private Hire Driver's Licence - Mr Seeley

The Sub-Committee considered an application by Mr Seeley for a renewal of a current Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence, due to expire on 6 October 2015. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors K Angold-Stephens, P Keska and A Lion. Members noted that Officers did not have delegated powers to determine this renewal and consequently the renewal had to be considered by the Sub-Committee.

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant and introduced the Members and Officers present. The Senior Licensing Officer informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances by 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 left 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 Hackney Carriage Driver's License for Mr Seeley be renewed and an advisory warning letter be sent.

34. Application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence - Mr Safu Miah

The Sub-Committee considered an application by Mr Miah for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence. The three councillors that presided over this item were Councillors K Angold-Stephens, P Keska and A Lion. 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 Senior Licensing Officer informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances by 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:

That the application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence for Mr Miah be refused, as the Sub-Committee were not satisfied that the Applicant was a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.

35. Review of Current Private Hire Driver's Licence - Mr Klimcke

The Sub-Committee noted that Mr Klimcke's case would be going to a future meeting.

36. Application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence - Mr Riza Cam

The Sub-Committee noted that Mr Cam's case would be going to a future meeting.

CHAIRMAN