

ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

8 JULY 2014

Present: Councillors Roberts (Chair), Rogers (Vice-Chair), Charlesworth, Street and Sinden (as the duly appointed substitute for Councillor Dowling)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Dowling.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 MAY 2014

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2014 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors made no declarations of interest at this meeting.

4. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ADDITIONAL URGENT ITEMS

None.

5. ADDITIONAL URGENT ITEMS (IF ANY)

None.

6. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED - that the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the item of business listed below because it is likely that, if members of the public were present, there would be disclosure to them of 'exempt' information as defined in the paragraphs of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972

| <u>Minute No.</u> | <u>Subject Matter</u> | <u>Paragraph No.</u> |
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| 7(E) | Applicant for Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence | Paragraph 4 |

7. APPLICANT FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Corporate Director, Environmental Services, submitted a report regarding an application for a Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence.

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The purpose of the report was to determine if the applicant was a “Fit and Proper” person to hold a Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence.

The driver was in attendance, together with his potential employer and both made a submission.

Councillor Street proposed a motion to grant the application, which was seconded by Councillor Rogers.

RESOLVED (unanimously) that the driver is a “Fit and Proper person” to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver’s Licence.

Reasons for this decision: The applicant's prospective employer spoke highly of him. He had know him for 10 years and said he was honest and trustworthy. The offence happened 5 years ago. The penalty the applicant received was not significant. The Committee believe that the driver does not pose a threat to the public. However, the Committee want the driver to be aware that any further incidents that would necessitate the applicant being brought before them again would be taken very seriously.

The Committee have made this decision in compliance with its policy.

(The Chair declared the meeting closed at. 6.22 pm)