Agenda Item 5

Licensing Sub-Committee

Meeting held 10 February 2014

PRESENT: Councillors Clive Skelton (Chair), Jenny Armstrong and Jillian Creasy

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 An apology for absence was received from Councillor George Lindars-Hammond.

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

2.1 RESOLVED: That the public and press be excluded from the meeting before discussion takes place on item 4 on the grounds that, if the public and press were present during the transaction of such business, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4. HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING - INDIVIDUAL CASES

- 4.1 The Chief Licensing Officer submitted details in respect of three cases relating to hackney carriage and private hire licensing.
- 4.2 The licence holder in Case No.06/14 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The applicant in Case No.07/14 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No.08/14 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 RESOLVED: That the cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Licence Type</u>	<u>Decision</u>
06/14	Application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence	Issue the applicant with a private hire driver's licence for the normal term of nine months and, on the first renewal, authority be given to grant the applicant a 12 month licence and, on any subsequent renewal, an 18 month licence, subject to there being no further cause for concern.

07/14	Application for a first Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Grant a licence for nine months and, on the first renewal, authority be given to grant the applicant a 12 month licence and, on any subsequent renewals, an 18 month licence, subject to there being no cause for concern. (NOTE: The Sub-Committee requested that the initial licence be issued with an extra four days on it).
08/14	Application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that the Sub-Committee does not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence, in the light of (a) the offences and convictions now reported, specifically the fact that the applicant is still under licence to the Court and (b) the responses provided to the questions raised.