

MINUTES OF A PANEL HEARING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, STATION ROAD, WIGSTON ON WEDNESDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2016 COMMENCING AT 6.50 PM

<u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u>		
Chair - Councillor G A Boulter		
COUNCILLORS (2):		
Mrs L M Broadley	R E Fahey	
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE (6):		
Mrs T L Aldwinckle	D Gill	J Mortell
S J Ball	Ms S Lane	Ms P J Samuels
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE (1):		
G S Atwal		

Min Ref.	Narrative	Officer Resp.
1.	<p><u>ELECTION OF CHAIR</u></p> <p>RESOLVED THAT:</p> <p>Councillor G A Boulter assume the Chair for the Hearing.</p>	
2.	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></p> <p>None.</p>	
3.	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u></p> <p>None.</p>	
4.	<p><u>EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC</u></p> <p>RESOLVED THAT:</p> <p>The press and public be excluded from the remainder of the hearing in accordance with section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (Exempt Information) during consideration of the application below on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraph(s) 1, 3 and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and that, in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.</p>	
5.	<p><u>APPLICATION FOR A COMBINED HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE</u></p> <p>The Legal Advisor stated that subsequent to new information being recently received concerning the applicant's character and deemed to be material to the consideration of the application, he advised the Panel to adjourn the Hearing until a future date in January 2017 so that sufficient enquires could</p>	

<p>be made to verify the information.</p> <p>The applicant expressed his dissatisfaction should the Panel be minded to adjourn the hearing because of the detrimental impact of a timely decision upon his work prospects within the Borough and the personal inconvenience caused. He stated that his application was made in good-faith. He stated that he was not advised prior to submitting his application that it would be subject to the Panel's determination.</p> <p>The Legal Advisor advised the applicant that the application had been referred to the Licensing Sub-Committee for determination to ensure the openness and transparency of the decision-making process. He stated that the overriding consideration of the Licensing Authority in determining the application was the protection of the public and that all other matters were secondary to public safety.</p> <p>The Chair stated that, in the interests of all parties, it would be unsafe to proceed on basis that the Panel did not have all the available and verified information before them to make a fully-considered determination of the application at the present time.</p> <p>RESOLVED THAT:</p> <p>The Panel Hearing be adjourned.</p>	
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THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.07 PM



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THURSDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2016
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