Agenda



Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Licensing Sub Committee

Date: Tuesday 2 December 2014

Time: **5.30 pm**

Place: Barrister's Room - Town Hall

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Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Licensing Sub Committee

Membership

Chair Councillor Colin Cook

Vice Chair Councillor Mary Clarkson

Councillor Gwynneth Royce

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5 EXEMPT MATTERS

If the Sub-Committee wishes to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any aspects of the preceding or following agenda items it will be necessary for the Sub-Committee to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 specifying the grounds on which their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in specific paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Recommendation: That the minutes of the meeting held on 28 October

2014 be APPROVED as a true and accurate record.

PART II EXEMPT BUSINESS

In accordance with paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act – business affairs of a person other than the Council.

6	EXEMPT CASE	
	Report of the Head of Environmental Development attached.	
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	The Head of Environmental Development had submitted a report which details whether the taxi driver remains a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence in light of a recent conviction.	
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The Head of Environmental Development has submitted a report to consider whether the taxi driver remains a fit and proper person to hold a licence to drive Private Hire vehicles in the City.

12 CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

Confidential Minutes from 28 October 2014

<u>Recommendation:</u> That the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 28 October 2014 be APPROVED as a true and accurate record.

13 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Sub-Committee NOTES the following future meeting dates:

Tuesday 20 January 2015 Tuesday 24 February 2015 (if needed) Monday 30 March 2015 (if needed) Monday 27 April 2015 (if needed)

DECLARING INTERESTS

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your* employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licences for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

*Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those of the member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.