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Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Licensing Sub Committee

Date: **Monday 1 June 2015**

Time: **5.30 pm**

Place: **Barrister's Room - Town Hall**

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Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Licensing Sub Committee

Membership

Councillor Colin Cook
Councillor Mary Clarkson
Councillor Gwynneth Royce

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PART ONE PUBLIC BUSINESS

1 ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2015/16

The Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Sub-Committee elects Councillor to be the Chair for the Council Year 2015/16.

2 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2015/16

The Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Sub-Committee elects Councillor to be the Vice Chair for the Council Year 2015/16.

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

4 PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED AT THE MEETING

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Procedure and guidance note on the relevance of convictions adopted by the Council for dealing with cases to be considered by the Sub Committee

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

6 MINUTES

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Minutes from 27 April 2015

Recommendation: That the minutes of the meeting held on 27 April 2015 be APPROVED as a true and accurate record.

7 MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

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.

The Sub-Committee may maintain the exemption 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.

PART II
EXEMPT BUSINESS

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| 8 | CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES | 29 - 32 |
| | Confidential Minutes from 27 April 2015 | |
| | <u>Recommendation:</u> That the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 27 April 2015 be APPROVED as a true and accurate record. | |
| 9 | SUITABILITY TO CONTINUE TO DRIVE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES AND HOLD A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE IN LIGHT OF A CAUTION | 33 - 52 |
| | Report of the Head of Environmental Development attached. | |
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| 12 | APPLICATION TO DRIVE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES | 71 - 80 |
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| 13 | DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS | |
| | The Sub-Committee NOTES the following future meeting dates: | |
| | 5pm Monday 13 July (if needed) | |
| | 5pm Monday 24 August (if needed) | |
| | 5pm Monday 5 October (if needed) | |
| | 5pm Monday 16 November (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.