

## **LICENSING COMMITTEE**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at Worksop Town Hall**

**Present:** Councillor J Potts (Chair)  
Councillors J R Anderson, B A Bowles, H M Brand, K M Greaves, G Jones, D Merryweather, D R Pressley and K Sutton.

Officers in attendance: S Aston, B Pinkney, A Webster and S Wormald.

(Meeting opened at 6.30pm.)

(The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and read out the Fire Alarm/Evacuation Procedure. She also enquired as to whether any member of the public wished to film/record the meeting or any part thereof; however, although the applicant was present, this was not taken up).

#### **59. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D Potts.

#### **60. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

##### **(a) Members**

There were no Declarations of Interest by Members.

##### **(b) Officers**

There were no Declarations of Interest by officers.

#### **61. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2017**

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017 be approved.

#### **62. MINUTES FOR ACTION**

The Council Solicitor informed Members that all actions had been implemented.

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes for Action be received.

#### **63. OUTSTANDING MINUTES LIST**

Members were advised that minute no 36(c) will be the first application to return back to Committee as it is to be reviewed after 12 months.

**RESOLVED** that the Outstanding Minutes List be received.

### **SECTION A – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PUBLIC**

#### **Key Decisions**

None.

## **Other Decisions**

### **64. REPORT(S) OF THE PRINCIPAL SOLICITOR (LICENSING AND REGULATORY)**

#### **(a) Notts Licensing Chairs Meeting held at Nottingham on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

Members were informed of the recent attendance by the Chair and Vice-Chair of Licensing Committee, Councillors Josie Potts and Gwynneth Jones, at the Notts Licensing Chairs Meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

These meetings are usually held twice yearly and are an opportunity to share experiences from other areas as well as updating Licensing Chairs on the impact of Licensing generally. On this occasion, the meeting was hosted by Nottingham City Council and chaired by Councillor Brian Grocock, Chair of Nottingham City Council Licensing Committee.

Members were advised that a presentation was given by Paddy Tipping at the meeting on the Police and Crime Commissioner, Alcohol Strategy for Nottinghamshire. Updates were given from Responsible Authorities within Nottinghamshire including Nottinghamshire Police Licensing, the Gambling Commission and Security Industry Authority. A presentation was also given by Duncan Collings of Rushcliffe Borough Council and John Miley of Broxtowe Borough Council regarding the recommendations arising from the House of Lords Select Committee report on the Licensing Act 2003. A further report is to be given at the next meeting on this subject.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

### **65. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985**

**RESOLVED** that, in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and after considering the public interest test as set out by the officer in the body of the report, Members agreed that the following items of business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1, and therefore, in accordance with Section 100A of the Act, the press and public be excluded from the meeting:

Agenda Item No. 7(a) – Exemption from the Practical Driving Assessment– Paragraph 1.

## **SECTION B – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PRIVATE**

### **Key Decisions**

None.

### **Other Decisions**

### **66. REPORT(S) OF THE PRINCIPAL SOLICITOR (LICENSING AND REGULATORY)**

#### **(a) Exemption from the Practical Driving Assessment**

Members were asked to consider making an exemption for the applicant, who is applying for a Combined Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence, from taking the practical driving assessment.

The applicant was present and answered members questions in support of the request.

**RESOLVED** that the applicant be exempt from having to sit the Practical Driving Assessment based on the evidence by the applicant relating to driving qualifications which the applicant currently holds.

67. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT.

As there was no other urgent business to be discussed, the Chair closed the meeting.

(Meeting closed at 6.55pm.)