

Minutes

Licensing Committee

Venue:	Committee Room
Date:	5 December 2011
Present:	Councillors Mrs S Duckett, K Ellis, Mrs C Mackman, B Marshall, Mrs S Ryder, R Sayner (Chair), R Sweeting and J Thurlow.
Apologies for Absence:	Councillors Mrs K McSherry and Mrs P Mackay (substitute D Peart)
Officers Present:	Caroline Fleming - Senior Solicitor, Tim Grogan - Senior Enforcement Officer, Simon Scarrott – Senior Enforcement Officer and Karen Mann – Democratic Service Officer

45. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

46. MINUTES

Resolved:

To receive and approve the minutes of the Licensing Committee held on 7 November 2011 and they be signed by the Chair.

47. PROCEDURE

The Procedure was noted.

48. CHAIR'S ADDRESS TO THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Chair reminded the Committee that the meeting, due to be held on the 9 January 2012, had been rescheduled to the 16 January.

The Chair wished the Committee a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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49. PRIVATE SESSION

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, as there will be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Section 12A of the Act, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

50. APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE

Report L/11/14 considered whether an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence be granted.

The applicant had given his apologies as he could not attend the meeting. He had handed over a letter for the Chair to read to the Committee. The Senior Enforcement Officer outlined details of the case.

A letter had been received from North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) and North Yorkshire Police (NYP) but the information in both letters only referred to allegations and provided no specific details in relation to those allegations. The Committee felt both NYCC and NYP had been uncooperative and a letter should be sent from the Chair to both organisations requesting specific details of the allegations so the committee can consider the application.

RESOLVED:

- i) To receive and note Report L/11/14
- ii) To DEFER the application until the meeting of the 16 January 2012
- iii) That the Chair of the committee is to write a strongly worded letter to North Yorkshire Police and North Yorkshire County Council requesting full disclosure of information
- iv) The applicant is made aware of the reasons for deferment and is asked to contact North Yorkshire County Council to request that they give Selby District Council full and specific details of the allegations

51. APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE

Report L/11/15 informed the Licensing Committee of an application for a Private Hire Driver Licence to be considered however the CRB check had raised concerns. The committee would need to consider if the applicant was a 'fit and proper' person.

The applicant was in attendance and the Senior Enforcement Officer outlined details of the case.

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The applicant presented his case and the councillors were given the opportunity to question the applicant.

RESOLVED:

- i)
- To receive and note the report L/11/15 To approve the licence for a probationary period of 12 months ii)

The chair thanked the committee for their attendance.

The meeting closed at 11.15am.