

Minutes

Licensing Committee

Venue:	Committee Room
Date:	1 October 2012
Present:	Councillors R Sayner (Chair), K Ellis (Vice Chair), Mrs C Mackman, B Marshall, Mrs K McSherry, D Peart (substitute for Mrs P Mackay), Mrs S Ryder, R Sweeting and J Thurlow.
Apologies for Absence:	Mrs S Duckett and Mrs P Mackay (substitute D Peart)
Officers Present:	Caroline Fleming - Senior Solicitor, Tim Grogan – Senior Enforcement Officer and Palbinder Mann – Democratic Services Officer

9. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

10. MINUTES

It was agreed that the typographical error in condition three on page five should be amended to read as following:

- **CCTV will be installed to cover the premises and will include all areas where the public can purchase alcohol.**

It was agreed that the typographical error in condition two on page six should be amended to read as following:

- **Members of the public shall not bring their own alcohol into the event.**

RESOLVED:

That the Committee receive and approve the minutes of the Licensing Hearing held on 31 August 2012 with the above amendments and the Licensing Committee on 3 September 2012 and that they be signed by the Chair.

11. PROCEDURE

The Procedure was noted.

12. CHAIR'S ADDRESS TO THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Chair queried when the report regarding taxi emissions would be coming before the Committee. The Senior Enforcement Officer agreed to look into this issue.

13. 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.

14. APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM ASSISTING PASSENGERS IN WHEELCHAIRS ON MEDICAL GROUNDS

The Senior Enforcement Officer presented the **Report L/12/03** which considered whether an application for an exemption from assisting disabled passengers by a Hackney Carriage driver should be granted. The applicant was in attendance.

Councillors were given the opportunity to question the applicant in connection with his application. The Committee then discussed the matter and considered their decision on whether the exemption should be granted.

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Committee receive and note Report L/12/03.**
- ii) That the application for exemption from assisting passengers in wheelchairs on medical grounds be REFUSED as the applicant had not provided the information requested by the Committee at the last meeting.**

15. ISSUE CONCERNING THE BEHAVIOUR OF A LICENSED HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER

The Senior Enforcement Officer presented the **Report L/12/04** which outlined a complaint that had been received and considered whether the respective driver was a fit and proper person to drive a Hackney Carriage.

Councillors were given the opportunity to question the driver in connection with the matter. The Councillors then considered whether the driver was a fit and proper person to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage driver.

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Committee receive and note Report L/12/04.**
- ii) That the driver has his licence SUSPENDED for two calendar months in view of his conduct.**

The meeting closed at 11.40am