

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

LICENSING AND APPEALS BOARD

Minutes from the Meeting of the Licensing and Appeals Board held on Wednesday, 17th May, 2017 at 11.30 am in the Committee Suite, King's Court, Chapel Street, King's Lynn, Norfolk

PRESENT: Councillors C J Crofts, T Tilbrook and A White

OFFICERS:

Cara Jordan – Legal Advisor

Marie Malt – Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

2 **ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

4 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED: That under 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 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

5 **APPLICATION FOR A COMBINED DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Hearing and stated that the purpose of the Hearing was to consider an application for a Combined Drivers Licence. He introduced the Panel Members, Officers and Legal Advisor.

The Applicant introduced himself and was accompanied by a Member of the trade who indicated he was acting as a reference.

6 **PROCEDURE FOR DETERMINING HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE LICENCE APPLICATIONS AND DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS**

The Legal Advisor outlined the procedure which would be followed at the Hearing.

7 **REPORT OF THE SENIOR LICENSING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

At the request of the Chairman, the Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer presented her report. She explained that the report was for Members to consider an application for a Combined Drivers Licence following matters disclosed on the Disclosure and Barring Service disclosure. The Panel were provided with detail of the disclosures.

8 **APPLICANTS CASE**

The Applicant presented his case and provided detail of the disclosures. The Applicant and the Member of the trade responded to questions from the Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer, the Panel and the Legal Advisor.

9 **SUMMING UP - SENIOR LICENSING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer summed up her case. She referred to her report and the representations put forward at the Hearing. She requested that the Panel consider the report, including submissions put forward by the Applicant and dispose of the matter by either granting or refusing the application.

10 **SUMMING UP - APPLICANT**

The Applicant summed up his case.

11 **LEGAL ADVICE**

The Legal Advisor provided advice to the Panel.

12 **DECISION**

The Decision of the Panel was read out.

The meeting closed at 12.50 pm