

## LICENSING (GENERAL) SUB - COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2008

#### Present:

Councillor Parnell (Chair)  
Councillor Galton (Vice Chair)  
Councillors Blatchford, Cunio and Drake.

#### 33. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Licensing (General) Sub-Committee meetings held on 14<sup>TH</sup> November 2007 be approved as a correct record (Copy of the minutes circulated with the agenda and appended to the signed minutes).

#### 34. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that in accordance with the Council's Constitution, specifically the Access to Information Rules contained within the Constitution, the press and public be excluded from the meeting at a predetermined point in the hearing in respect of any consideration of the following matters and specifically in respect of any consideration of Minute No's. 35 and 36 on grounds based on Category 4 of paragraph 10.4 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules because failing to do so would constitute a breach of the Data Protection Act 1998 as well as a breach of a Common Law duty of confidentiality.

#### 35. FIT AND PROPER PERSON – PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER

The Sub-Committee considered the confidential report of the Solicitor to the Council concerning a Private Hire Operator's licence and Private Hire Driver's licence (copy of report circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

RESOLVED that consideration of the case be adjourned to a future meeting to allow the driver in question the opportunity to be present.

#### 36. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Sub-Committee considered the confidential report of the Solicitor to the Council concerning an application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's licence (copy of report circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

The applicant was in attendance and, with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

The Sub-Committee considered the decision in confidential session in accordance with Category 4 of Paragraph 10.4 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules.

RESOLVED that the application be granted.

REASON FOR DECISION

Having regard to the Home Office guidelines the Sub-Committee was satisfied that the driver was a fit and proper person but was warned that any further caution or conviction would be viewed very seriously and would likely result in the loss of the Private Hire Driver's licence.