

**BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**MEETING OF THE LICENSING (MISCELLANEOUS) SUB-COMMITTEE A**

**WEDNESDAY 21ST JUNE 2017, AT 10.30 A.M.**

PRESENT: Councillors C. J. Spencer (Vice-Chairman), S. P. Shannon and L. J. Turner

Observers: Councillor C. M. McDonald, RESERVE Member (during Minute No's 1/17 to 5/17)

Officers: Mr. T. Bishop, Mrs. A. May and Mrs. P. Ross

1/17 **APOLOGIES**

No apologies for absence were received.

2/17 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

3/17 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

**“RESOLVED** that under Section 100 I of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act, as amended, the relevant paragraphs of that part, being as set out below, and that it is the public interest to do so:-

<u>Minute No.</u>	<u>Paragraphs</u>
4/17	1, 2 and 3
5/17	1, 2 and 3
6/17	1, 2 and 3 “

4/17 **PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE - APPLICATION FOR LICENCE**

The Sub-Committee considered an application for exemption to the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Handbook which restricts vehicles in the District with tinted windows that conceal the identity of passengers inside the vehicle and the requirement to display a vehicle licence plate on the exterior of the vehicle.

The Technical Officer (Licensing), Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) outlined the details of the application together with the reasons

why the application had been brought before the Sub-Committee, detailing the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Handbook.

At the invitation of the Chairman, the applicant put forward his case in support of his application and answered a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.

Sub-Committee Members inspected the vehicle to determine the level of tint on the rear windows of the vehicle and discussed the reasons, as explained by the applicant, for a letter of dispensation to be exempt from displaying identity plates on the outside of the vehicle.

The Sub-Committee then adjourned to consider its decision, upon its return it was:

**RESOLVED** that the application and a letter of dispensation be granted.

5/17

**HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE - APPLICATION FOR LICENCE**

The Sub-Committee considered an application made for exemption to the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Handbook which restricts vehicles in the District with tinted windows that conceal the identity of passengers inside the vehicle.

The Technical Officer (Licensing), Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) outlined the details of the application together with the reasons why the application had been brought before the Sub-Committee, detailing the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Handbook.

At the invitation of the Chairman, the applicant put forward his case in support of his application and answered a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.

Sub-Committee Members inspected the vehicle to determine the level of tint on the rear windows of the vehicle.

The Sub-Committee then adjourned to consider its decision, upon its return it was:

**RESOLVED** that the application be granted.

6/17

**PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE - APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL**

The Sub-Committee considered a renewal application made for exemption to the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Handbook which restricts the age of vehicles over ten years of age.

The Technical Officer (Licensing), Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) outlined the details of the application together with the reasons why the renewal application had been brought before the Sub-

Committee, detailing the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Handbook.

At the invitation of the Chairman, the applicant put forward his case in support of his application and answered a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.

Sub-Committee Members inspected the vehicle to determine if the vehicle, a special events vehicle, had been maintained to a high level and therefore in such a condition that it could be regarded as 'exceptional' for the purposes of the age restriction policy.

The Sub-Committee then adjourned to consider its decision, upon its return it was:

**RESOLVED** that the renewal application be granted.

The meeting closed at 11.46 a.m.

Chairman