

**BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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

**FRIDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER 2017, AT 1.30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Councillors R. L. Dent (Chairman), M. T. Buxton, C. M. McDonald (during Agenda Item 11/17) and C. J. Spencer (Vice-Chairman, during Agenda Items 12/17 and 13/17)

Observers: Councillor C. J. Spencer (during Agenda Item 11/17) and Councillor C. M. McDonald (during Agenda Items 12/17 and 13/17)

Officers: Mrs. V. Brown, Mrs. A. May and Mrs. P. Ross

8/17           **APOLOGIES**

No apologies for absence were received.

9/17           **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

10/17          **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 in the public interest to do so:-

<u>Minute No</u>	<u>Paragraphs</u>
11/17	1, 2 and 3
12//17	1, 2 and 3
13/17	1, 2 and 3 “

11/17          **PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE - RENEWAL APPLICATION**

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

The Technical Officer (Licensing), Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) outlined the details of the renewal 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 driver put forward his case in support of his renewal application and answered a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.

Sub-Committee Members inspected the vehicle to determine if the 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.

12/17

**PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - REVIEW**

The Sub-Committee considered matters in relation to a holder of a Private Hire Vehicle driver's licence in light of information received by officers from Worcestershire Regulatory Services.

The Technical Officer (Licensing), Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS), outlined the details of the matter, together with the reasons why this had been brought before a Hearing of the Sub-Committee.

At the invitation of the Chairman, the driver and his representative put forward his case and answered a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee and the Council's Legal Advisor.

The Sub-Committee then adjourned to consider its decision. Upon its return it was

**RESOLVED** that the Private Hire Vehicle driver note the requirement placed upon him by the Sub-Committee.

13/17

**HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - REVIEW**

The Sub-Committee considered matters in relation to a holder of a combined Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle driver's licence in light of information received by officers from Worcestershire Regulatory Services.

The Technical Officer (Licensing), Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS), outlined the details of the matter, together with the reasons why this had been brought before a Hearing of the Sub-Committee.

At the invitation of the Chairman, the driver answered a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee then adjourned to consider its decision. Upon its return it was

**RESOLVED** that the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle driver remained a fit and proper person to continue to hold such a licence.

The meeting closed at 2.40 p.m.

Chairman