

LICENSING APPEALS AND COMPLAINTS SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Appeals and Complaints Sub-Committee of South Norfolk District Council held at South Norfolk House, Long Stratton on 28 May 2021 at 10.30am.

Committee Members Present: Councillors: Y Bendle (Chairman), J Easter and T Spruce

Officers in Attendance: The Legal Adviser to the Committee (Julie Gowland), the Licensing and Enforcement Officer (Rosie Setford), the Democratic Services Manager (Claire White) and the Democratic Services Officer (Jessica Hammond).

659 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Appeals and Complaints Committee held on Tuesday 23 March 2021 were confirmed as a correct.

660 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

It was

RESOLVED

That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended).

661 TOWN AND POLICE CLAUSES ACT 1847 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 COMBINED HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENSING

(The applicant was in attendance for consideration of this item.)

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the procedure for determining the application.

The Licensing and Enforcement Officer outlined the salient points of her report, explaining the circumstances which had led to the requirement for the Committee to determine the application for the renewal of a Combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire licence.

The applicant explained his past actions to the Committee and responded to a number of questions from members. The Committee noted two statements in support of the applicant which were read out at the meeting.

The applicant and the Licensing and Enforcement Officer then left the meeting whilst members determined the application. They were then readmitted to the meeting and the Legal Advisor announced the decision.

The Committee unanimously

RESOLVED

To grant the application for the renewal of a Combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence subject to:

- A written warning as to the applicant's conduct
- A requirement for the applicant to successfully complete a Driving Standards Assessment Course within a period of 6 months
- That 6 penalty points be imposed under the Council's Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Policy for failure to notify the Licensing Team in writing within 7 days, of any convictions.

The applicant was advised that should he be aggrieved by the decision or the imposition of any term or condition or restriction, he had a right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of the date on which he was notified of the decision in writing.

(The meeting concluded at 12.00pm)

Chairman