

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 Tuesday 16 November 2021 at 10.00am.

Committee Members Present:	Councillors: W Kemp (Chairman, for the meeting), J Easter and J Halls
Apologies for Absence:	Councillor: Y Bendle
Officers in Attendance:	The Legal Adviser to the Committee (J Gowland), the Licensing and Enforcement Team Leader (S Harris), the Licensing and Enforcement Officers (R Setford & M Wilson) and the Democratic Services Officer (J Hammond).

665 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Appeals and Complaints Committee held on Tuesday 29 June 2021 were confirmed as a correct record.

666 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).

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(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 her report and explained the reasons why a review of the licence was required.

The applicant responded to a number of questions from members. He apologised for the breach in licensing conditions.

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

- 1. To grant the application to renew the Applicant's Combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence.
- 2. That a written warning be issued to the Applicant as to their conduct, advising that should the Applicant be subject to any conviction (regardless of what sentence is imposed) or any Binding Over order or the acceptance of a Caution, within a period of 2 years from today, they would be called before the Committee with a view to review the licence and taking any appropriate legal action.
- 3. To impose a requirement that the Applicant attend the Council offices to appraise themself of the South Norfolk Council Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Policy and ensure they are familiar with the obligations placed upon them. This is to be completed within a period of 2 months (if this timeframe is not feasible, they must notify the Licensing Team) and the Licensing Authority are to provide confirmation of that being completed
- 4. To Impose 3 penalty points under the Council's Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Policy for failure to notify the Licensing Team in writing within 7 days, of any points or convictions being imposed.

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.

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The Panel was advised that this item had been deferred until a later date, to allow the Council to request a new DBS certificate.

(The meeting concluded at 11.19am)

Chairman