



Lewes District Council

## Licensing Sub-Committee

**Minutes** of a meeting of the **Licensing Sub-Committee** held in the **Ditchling Room, Southover House, Lewes** on **Tuesday 27 October 2015** at **13.30pm**.

**Present:**

Councillors S Adeniji (Chair), M Chartier and P Gander

**Officers Present:**

Ms R Brittle, Committee Officer

Mr A Couper, Lawyer

Ms S Lindsay, Licensing Officer

### Minutes

	Action
<p><b>1 Exclusion of the Public and Press</b></p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p><b>1.1</b> That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the Public and Press be excluded from the hearing during the discussion of Report No 140/15 entitled 'Determination of Driver's Licence' as there was likely to be a disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2 and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.</p>	
<p><b>2 Determination of Driver's Licence</b></p> <p>Those attending the hearing introduced themselves and the Chair read out the recommended procedure for the hearing to all parties present.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee considered Report No 140/15 to determine whether the Applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriages Licence under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. The Applicant attended to present their application.</p> <p>The Licensing Officer gave apologies for Michael Moss, who had authored the Report. She presented it on his behalf. The Licensing Officer highlighted that the application submitted by the Applicant had been received on 7 July 2015. She drew the Sub-Committee's attention to the salient points of the Report including the Applicant's history.</p> <p>There was not a legislative test that Councillors could apply. However, the Sub-Committee was reminded by the Licensing Officer of the local test; "Would you (as a member of the Licensing Committee or other person charged with the ability to grant a Private Hire Driver's License) allow you</p>	

son or daughter, spouse or partner, mother or father, grandson or granddaughter or any other person for whom you care, to get into a vehicle with this person alone?"

The Sub-Committee was made aware of their options by the Licensing Officer. The options open to them were to grant the licence in full without a warning, to grant the licence while imposing a written warning or to refuse the application.

The Sub-Committee retired at 1:45pm

The Sub-Committee reconvened at 1:55pm

The Sub-Committee's decision in respect of the application was delivered as follows:

Resolved:

- 2.1** That the Applicant be granted a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence without a warning attached.

The meeting ended at 14:00pm.

S Adeniji  
Chair

**NOTE:**

**In accordance with Section 100C, sub-section (2) of the Local Government Act 1972, Minute No 104 above is a summary of the proceedings of that part of the meeting which included exempt information. Authorised persons may inspect the exempt information on application to the Proper Officer**