NORWICH City Council

Minutes

REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE

2.30pm to 4.00pm **11 August 2014**

Present: Councillors Button (chair), Ackroyd, Gayton, Maxwell and Price

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of items 4 to 9 below on the grounds contained in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

*4. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A 12 MONTH PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE CASE NO 14/00820/PHDRIV (PARAS 1 & 3)

(The applicant attended the meeting for this item and was accompanied by his father. He confirmed that he had been informed of his right to be legally represented at the meeting but had chosen not to be. He produced his DVLA licence for inspection by the committee. He also confirmed that since the application form was completed, he had received no further convictions or cautions and that he had no matters pending.)

The licensing manager presented the report.

The applicant explained the circumstances surrounding his caution for possession of a class A drug which he had received on 15 December 2012. Following solicitor's advice, he accepted a caution for possession in order to bring the matter to a swift close.

The applicant confirmed that the incident was not related to driving and that he had a driving job lined up if his application was successful.

(The applicant, his father and the licensing manager left the meeting at this point).

Following discussion it was:-

RESOLVED, unanimously, to grant the private hire driver's licence in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976, in respect of this application.

(The applicant, his father, mother and the licensing manager were admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above. The applicant, his father and mother then left the meeting.)

***5. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE CASE NO 14/00590/PHDRIV (PARAS 1 & 3)**

(The applicant attended the meeting for this item. He confirmed that he had been informed of his right to be legally represented at the meeting but had chosen not to be. He produced his DVLA licence for inspection by the committee. He also confirmed that since the application form was completed, he had received no further convictions or cautions and that he had no matters pending.)

The licensing manager presented the report.

The applicant explained the circumstances surrounding his conviction for exceeding the statutory speed limit on a public road which he had received on 30 March 2012 and 2 August 2013.

(The applicant and the licensing manager left the meeting at this point).

Following discussion it was:-

RESOLVED, unanimously, to renew the private hire driver's licence in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976, in respect of this application.

(The applicant and the licensing manager were admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above. The chair reminded the applicant that he would need to drive more carefully, paying proper attention to the speed limits. The applicant then left the meeting)

***6. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE CASE NO 14/00815/HACKD (PARAS 1 & 3)**

(The applicant attended the meeting for this item. He explained that he had not received the letter informing him of the meeting but was happy not to be legally represented. The licencing manager produced a copy of the applicant's DVLA licence for inspection by the committee. The applicant also confirmed that since the application form was completed, he had received no further convictions or cautions and that he had no matters pending.)

The licensing manager presented the report.

The applicant explained the circumstances surrounding his convictions for exceeding the statutory speed limit on a public road which he had received on 21 June 2010 and 13 February 2013.

(The applicant and the licensing manager left the meeting at this point).

Following discussion it was:-

RESOLVED, unanimously, to renew the hackney carriage driver's licence in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976, in respect of this application.

(The applicant and the licensing manager were admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above. The chair reminded the applicant that he would need to drive more carefully in future. The applicant then left the meeting)

*7. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE CASE NO 14/01251/PHDRIV (PARAS 1 & 3))

(The applicant attended the meeting for this item. He explained that he had not received the letter informing him of the meeting but was happy not to be legally represented. The licencing manager produced a copy of the applicant's DVLA licence for inspection by the committee. The applicant also confirmed that since the application form was completed, he had received no further convictions or cautions and that he had no matters pending.)

The licensing manager presented the report.

The applicant explained the circumstances surrounding his convictions for exceeding the statutory speed limit on a public road which he had received on 28 July 2013 and 2 November 2013.

(The applicant and the licensing manager left the meeting at this point).

Following discussion it was:-

RESOLVED, unanimously, to renew the hackney carriage driver's licence for a period of three months in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976, in respect of this application. Should the applicant successfully complete three months without further convictions, the licence is to be extended by a further 9 months (making 12 months in total).

(The applicant and the licensing manager were admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above. The chair reminded the applicant that he would need to drive more carefully in future. He was also required to present his licence to the council within 14 days to ensure the copy presented was accurate. The applicant then left the meeting)

***8. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE CASE NO 14/01253/HACKD (PARAS 1 & 3)**

RESOLVED - given the applicant's non-attendance due to lack of receipt of letter regarding the meeting - to defer consideration of this application to the next meeting on September 15 2014.

***9. SUSPENSION/REVOCATION OF NORWICH CITY COUNCIL HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE NO 14/00432/HACKD (PARAS 1 & 3)**

RESOLVED - given the applicant's non-attendance due to lack of receipt of letter regarding the meeting - to defer consideration of this application to the next meeting on September 15 2014.

CHAIR