

Minutes

REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE

2pm – 3pm 16 May 2011

Present: Councillors Driver (Chair), Altman, George, Jeraj

Apologies: Councillor Gihawi

1. APPLICATION FOR LICENCE TO PLACE TABLES AND CHAIRS ON THE HIGHWAY – PAOLO'S RESTAURANT, 1 ST GILES STREET, NORWICH

(The applicant attended the meeting for this item)

The senior licensing officer presented the report and the applicant commented on the background to the application.

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

Following discussion it was:-

RESOLVED unanimously to approve the application for a licence to place tables and chairs on the highway submitted in respect of Paolo's Restaurant, 1 St Giles Street, Norwich.

(The applicant and senior licensing officer were re-admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above).

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of Items 2 to 5 below on the grounds contained in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972.

*3. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A 3 MONTH PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - CASE NO. 16/31/3/746 (PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 3)

(The licence holder 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).

The licensing manager presented the report and referred to paragraph 3 relating to the applicant's relevant 'spent' convictions. The applicant answered members' questions relating to the admission of the 'spent' convictions.

RESOLVED unanimously not to admit details of the applicant's 'spent' convictions as set out in paragraph 3 of the report.

In reply to a question the applicant said that he had not received any further convictions or formal cautions and was not aware of any pending prosecutions since his convictions. He then answered detailed questions about the circumstances of his convictions on 18 October 2009 for breech of requirements as to the control of the vehicle, mobile telephones etc and on 3 September 2010 for exceeding the statutory speed limit on a public road.

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

Following a discussion it was -

RESOLVED unanimously to approve the grant of a 3 month private hire vehicles licence 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 advised that the committee had the power to revoke, suspend or refuse to renew the licence in the future if his conduct was not up to the standard expected of a licence holder. The Chair advised that a hands free set should be installed).

*4. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS' LICENCE NO 11/00517/PHDRIV - CASE NO 16/31/3/747 (PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 3)

(The licence holder 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).

The licensing manager presented the report. In reply to a question the applicant said that he had not received any further convictions or formal cautions and was not aware of any pending prosecutions since he had completed his renewal application form. He then answered detailed questions about the circumstances of his convictions on 5 March 2008 for leaving a vehicle in a dangerous position, on 17 June 2010 for exceeding the speed limit on a public road and on 3 December 2010 for breach of requirements as to control of the vehicles, mobile telephones etc. The applicant also answered questions on his reasons for not giving notification to the council within 7 days of receiving these convictions during the period of the licence.

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

Following a discussion it was -

RESOLVED unanimously to approve the renewal of the private hire vehicle driver's licence 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 advised that the committee had the power to revoke, suspend or refuse to renew the licence in the future if his conduct was not up to the standard expected of a licence holder).

*5. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE NO. 10/01832/HACKD – CASE NO 16/31/3/748 (PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 3)

(The licence holder 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).

The licensing manager presented the report. In reply to a question the applicant said that he had not received any further convictions or formal cautions and was not aware of any pending prosecutions since he had completed his renewal application form. He then explained why there had been a delay in producing his DVLA licence.

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

Following a discussion it was -

RESOLVED unanimously to approve the renewal of the hackney carriage drivers' licence 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 advised that the committee had the power to revoke, suspend or refuse to renew the licence in the future if his conduct was not up to the standard expected of a licence holder).

*6. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE NO. 10/02013/HACKD - CASE NO 16/31/3/404 (PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 3)

(The licence holder 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).

The licensing manager presented the report. In reply to a question the applicant said that he had not received any further convictions or formal cautions and was not aware of any pending prosecutions since he had completed his renewal application form. He then answered detailed questions about the circumstances of his convictions on 31 January 2009 for exceeding the statutory speed limit on a public road and on 12 October 2009 for breach of requirements as to control of the vehicle, mobile telephones etc.

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

Following a discussion it was -

RESOLVED unanimously to approve the renewal of the hackney carriage driver's licence in respect of the application.

(The applicant and the licensing manager were admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above. The Chair advised that the committee had the power to revoke, suspend or refuse to renew the licence in the future if his conduct was not up to the standard expected of a licence holder).

CHAIR