

MINUTES

REGULATORY COMMITTEE

11.00 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.

21 July 2009

Present: Councillors Dylan (Vice-Chair) in the chair, Banham, Hooke, Jago and Ramsay

Apologies: Councillors Blower and Lay

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED to agree the accuracy of the minutes of the Regulatory Committee held on 16 June 2009.

2. APPLICATION FOR LICENCE TO PLACE TABLES AND CHAIRS ON THE HIGHWAY - WEST CORNWALL PASTRY COMPANY, 21 HAYMARKET/WEAVERS LANE, NORWICH

The applicant asked for this item to be deferred to the September meeting.

RESOLVED to defer this item to the next meeting.

3. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of Items 4 and 5 below on the grounds contained in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972.

*4. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A THREE MONTH PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - CASE NO. 16/31/3/702 (PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 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).

The Senior Licensing Officer 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 his application. He then answered detailed questions about the circumstances of his conviction for exceeding the statutory speed limit on 27 October 2005.

(The applicant and the Senior Licensing Officer left the meeting at this point).

Following a discussion it was -

RESOLVED, unanimously to approve the grant of a three month private hire driver's licence.

(The applicant and the Senior Licensing Officer were re-admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above. The Chair advised the applicant to familiarise himself with the "green book" issued to all licence holders. He also reminded the applicant 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).

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The Senior Licensing Officer 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 his application. The Committee decided to ask questions about the applicants spent convictions, which they felt were relevant. The applicant stated that he had no objection to answering questions about the spent convictions. He then answered detailed questions about the circumstances of his two spent convictions together with the one unspent conviction on 27 June 2006.

(The applicant and the Senior Licensing Officer left the meeting at this point).

Following a discussion it was -

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