

Minutes

## **REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE**

2pm to 2.40pm 22 October 2012

Present: Councillors Kendrick (chair), Barker, Button, Haynes and Henderson

## 1. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

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

## \*2. APPLICATION FOR APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A 3 MONTH PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS' LICENCE: CASE NUMBER 12/01321/PHD3 (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).

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 licensing manager then referred to the report and said that the applicant was aware of the procedures in respect of the admission of "older" convictions. In reply to a question the applicant said that he did not wish to admit the details of the "older conviction" and explained that his personal circumstances had changed since the conviction 8 years' ago.

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

Following discussion it was:-

**RESOLVED** with 3 members voting against admitting details of the older conviction (Councillors Barker, Button and Henderson), 1 member voting in favour of admitting the details of the older conviction (Councillor Haynes) and 1 member abstaining (Councillor Kendrick) not to admit the details of the older conviction.

(The applicant and the licensing manager were readmitted to the meeting and informed of the subcommittee's decision.)

The applicant explained the circumstances of his conviction on 30 December 2009 for using a vehicle uninsured against third party risks for and driving otherwise than in accordance with a licence. He also referred to his personal circumstances and said that if his application were granted it would give him an opportunity to earn a living to support his wife and family. Members pointed out the gravity of this offence and said that if he were to be granted a licence he must comply with the council's guidance for private hire drivers.

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

Following discussion it was:-

**RESOLVED** to grant a 3 month private hire 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.)

**CHAIR**