



REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE

2pm to 2.50pm

19 August 2013

Present: Councillors Gayton (chair), Button, Gihawi, Haynes and Stammers

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of items *4 to *6 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 RENEWAL OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE: CASE NUMBER 13/00545/PHDRIV (PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 3)**

(The applicant attended the meeting for this item. He confirmed that he was content to attend the meeting without legal representation. He produced his DVLA licence for inspection by the committee.)

The solicitor presented the report.

The applicant explained the circumstances surrounding his convictions. He said that at the time of both convictions, he was driving an eight seater mini bus taxi which he described as being very stressful due to the distracting behaviour of the groups of people who would use a larger vehicle. He told the committee that he was no longer driving this type of vehicle. He said that he was not aware that he had a duty to inform the licensing manager of any convictions within seven days.

In response to a question, the applicant confirmed that he had no other matters pending that the committee should be made aware of.

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

Following discussion it was:

RESOLVED, unanimously, to renew the application for a private hire drivers licence, (case number 13/00545/PHDRIV).

(The applicant and the licensing assistant were admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above. The chair reminded the applicant that it was his responsibility to make the licensing manager aware of any convictions within seven days.)

***5. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE: CASE NUMBER 13/01331/PHDRIV) (PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 3)**

The licensing assistant presented the committee with an email from the applicant asking for the hearing to be postponed until September due to personal circumstances.

Following discussion it was:

RESOLVED, unanimously, to defer the application until the regulatory subcommittee meeting on 16 September 2013.

***6. SUSPENSION/REVOCATION OF NORWICH CITY COUNCIL PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE NO. 12/02453/PHDRIV (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 solicitor presented the report.

The applicant explained the circumstances surrounding his conviction on 5 March 2013 and explained to the committee that this matter had been brought before a Regulatory sub committee previously, which had decided to take no action against him. He also explained the circumstances surrounding his subsequent conviction on 3 June 2013. He told the committee that he had no convictions prior to these in twenty four years of driving and also that he had no other pending convictions.

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

RESOLVED, unanimously, to take no action against the applicant.

(The applicant and the licensing assistant were admitted to the meeting and informed of the decision minuted above. The chair reminded the applicant that it was his job to take care and avoid putting passengers or himself in any danger by speeding.)

CHAIR