

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, CORKS LANE,
HADLEIGH ON FRIDAY, 2 AUGUST 2013 (11.45 A.M.)

PRESENT: Mr A J Ward - Chairman
Mr R E Kemp Mr L H Young

In attendance to make representations were:-

Mr L Carvell – Corporate Manager - Licensing
The Applicant

The following were in attendance at the hearing:-

Mr J Reed – Senior Solicitor (Legal Adviser to the Committee)
Mr S Ellwood – Corporate Manager - Governance

1 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None declared.

2 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

None received.

3 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC (WHICH TERM INCLUDES THE PRESS)

RESOLVED

That pursuant to Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the business specified below on the grounds that if the public were present during this item it is likely that there would be the disclosure to them of exempt information as indicated against the item.

The Committee was also satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

4 REVIEW OF A COMBINED HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (Exempt information by virtue of Paragraphs 1 and 7 of Part 1)

The Chairman of the Committee referred to the Procedure to be followed at the hearing, a copy of which had been circulated with the Agenda.

The Head of Environment submitted a report ([Paper N43](#)) seeking a review of a Combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for the person referred to in the report.

Following the presentation the applicant questioned the Corporate Manager – Licensing and referred to a disk showing CCTV footage he had received from the Petrol Station.

At this point the meeting was adjourned to enable the disk to be virus checked, and enable equipment to be set up in the Council Chamber to enable the CCTV footage to be viewed.

The CCTV footage was viewed, but the incident could not be found as there were a number of camera positions and the timing that the incident occurred was not known.

The licence holder then made an address to the Committee. Members and the Licensing Officer then questioned him.

All parties were requested to provide closing comments to the meeting following which they withdrew to enable the Committee to deliberate the application.

Members in reviewing whether there was sufficient reasonable cause to suspend or revoke the licence took into account all the available information and his explanation in relation to the incident referred to in [Paper N43](#).

The parties were then called back into the meeting and the decision of the Committee (which was unanimous) was notified.

RESOLVED

That no action be taken at the present time in respect of the licence holder referred to in Paper N43.

The business of the meeting was concluded at 12.40 p.m.

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Chairman