

**Agenda for Licensing and Enforcement Sub Committee**  
**Wednesday, 13th December, 2023, 9.30 am**



**Members of Licensing and Enforcement Sub Committee**

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Tuesday, 5 December 2023

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Minutes of the previous meeting (Pages 3 - 4)
- 3 Declarations of interest

Guidance is available online to Councillors and co-opted members on making [declarations of interest](#)

- 4 Matters of urgency  
Information on [matters of urgency](#) is available online

- 5 Confidential/exempt items

To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the Press) have been excluded. There is one item which officers recommend should be dealt with in this way.

- 6 Exclusion of Press and Public

The Vice Chair to move the following: "that under Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting as exempt information, of the description set out on the agenda, is likely to be disclosed and on balance the public interest is in discussing this item in private session (Part B)".

**Part B**

- 7 Hackney Carriage Driver Suitability (Pages 5 - 14)

**Due to the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 only parties to the hearing are permitted to address the sub-committee (through their representative as appropriate).**

[Decision making and equalities](#)

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**EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of Licensing and Enforcement Sub Committee held at  
Axe Room, Blackdown House, Honiton on 25 October 2023**

**Attendance list at end of document**

The meeting started at 9.30 am and ended at 10.14 am

**23 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 August 2023**

Cllr Olly Davey was appointed Vice-Chair for this meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 August 2023 were agreed as a true record.

**24 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**25 Matters of urgency**

There were no matters of urgency.

**26 Confidential/exempt items**

There was one item which officers recommended should be dealt with in this way at minute 28.

**27 Exclusion of Press and Public**

**RESOLVED:**

That under Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public, including the press, be excluded from the meeting as exempt information, of the description set out in the agenda, is likely to be disclosed and on balance the public interest is in discussing this item in private session (Part B).

**28 Hackney carriage driver suitability**

The purpose of the meeting was to determine whether the driver named in the officer's report is a fit and proper person to be licensed as a hackney carriage driver.

The driver was present at the meeting.

The Licensing Officer presented the report.

There were no questions from Members or from the driver for the Licensing Officer.

The driver addressed the Sub Committee and explained the background to the matters set out in the officer's report.

The driver then answered questions from each of the Members.

The Chair advised the driver that the Sub Committee would retire to make its decision which would be notified in writing to the driver within five working days.

The Chair thanked everyone present for attending the meeting.

**Attendance List**

**Councillors present:**

K Bloxham (Chair)  
O Davey (Vice-Chair)  
N Hookway

**Councillors also present (for some or all the meeting)**

S Gazzard

**Officers in attendance:**

Sarah Jenkins, Democratic Services Officer  
Giles Salter, Solicitor  
Lee Staples, Licensing Officer  
Andrew Melhuish, Democratic Services Manager

**Councillor apologies:**

None

Chair .....

Date: .....

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