

EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Licensing and Enforcement Sub Committee held at Blackdown House, Honiton on 12 February 2020

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The meeting started at 12.00 pm and ended at 1.30 pm

11 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 September 2019 were confirmed and signed as a true record.

12 Declarations of interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

13 Matters of urgency

There were no matters of urgency.

14 Confidential/exempt items

RESOLVED that the classification given to the documents to be submitted to the Sub-Committee be confirmed and that the report relating to exempt information be dealt with under Part B of the agenda.

15 The Vice Chairman to move the following:

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 on the agenda, is likely to be disclosed and on balance the public interest is in discussing this item in private session.

16 To determine whether the person named in the report is a fit and proper person to continue to be licensed as a hackney carriage driver

Consideration was given to whether an existing driver was a fit and proper person to continue to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage Driver.

Members considered the Council's policy on all issues, the overriding duty of the Sub Committee was protection of the public.

RESOLVED that Mr AC's Hackney Carriage Drivers licence be revoked for the following reasons:

1. Behaviour and language towards licensing officers in emails.
2. Language used in his interview with licensing officers and a failure to apologise.
3. Failure to respond to correspondence inviting him to the sub-committee meeting and failure to attend the meeting.
4. Returning his Hackney Carriage vehicle plate to a member of staff other than a licensing officer and not informing the Licensing Office of this.

Attendance List

Councillors present:

K Bloxham (Vice-Chairman)

P Jarvis (Chairman)

J Rowland

Councillors also present (for some or all the meeting)

T Wright

Officers in attendance:

Christopher Lane, Democratic Services Officer

Lucy Maxwell, Licensing Officer

Giles Salter, Solicitor

Stephen Saunders, Licensing Manager

Chairman

Date: