

Swindon Borough Council

Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licensing Sub-Committee

Wednesday, 25 November 2009

Committee Room 6, Civic Offices, Swindon (Anticipated meeting room)

At 5.30 p.m.

Conservative Councillors

Andy Albinson
Andrew Bennett
Michael Dickinson
Kevin Parry
Eric Shaw
Rex Barnett
(Deputy)
Michael Bray
(Deputy)
Doreen Dart
(Deputy)
Nick Martin
(Deputy)
Vera Tomlinson
(Deputy)
Steve Wakefield
(Deputy)

Labour Councillors

Maurice Fanning
Fay Howard
Robert Wright
(Deputy)

Liberal Democrat Councillors

David Wood
(Deputy)

Independent Councillors

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AGENDA

- 1. Appointment of Chair for the Municipal Year, 2009/10**
- 2. Appointment of Vice-Chair for the Municipal Year, 2009/10**
- 3. Apologies for Absence**
- 4. Declarations of Interest**

Members are reminded that at the start of the meeting they should declare any known interests in any matter to be considered, and also during the meeting if it becomes apparent that they have an interest in the matters being discussed.

5. Minutes (Pages 1 - 2)

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 26th February 2009.

6. Exempt Items - Exclusion of Press and Public

Certain items are expected to include the consideration of exempt information and the Standards Committee is, therefore, recommended to resolve "That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the discussion of the matters referred to in the items listed below, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in the respective paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information".

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7. Public Question Time

See explanatory note below. Please phone the Committee Officer whose name and number appears at the top of this agenda if you need further guidance.

8. Appeal against Revocation of Private Hire Driver Licence (Pages 3 - 20)

Date of Despatch: 17 November 2009

Public Question Time - Swindon Borough Council is committed to increasing its accountability to the public and to promoting active citizenship. Up to 15 minutes will be allowed at the start of all Council meetings for questions to the Chair from members of the public about the work of the Committee (except for confidential matters and specific planning applications). Questions must be relevant, clear and concise. Because of time constraints Public Question Time is not an opportunity to make speeches or statements. Prior notice of a question to the Director of Law and Democratic Services is desirable - particularly if detailed background information is needed.

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PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2009

PRESENT:- Councillors John Ballman, Michael Bray (Vice-Chair), Fay Howard, CEric Shaw, Vera Tomlinson and David Wren.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Andrew Bennett.

28. Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Members of the need to declare any known interests in any matters to be considered at the meeting. No declarations were made.

29. Minutes

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 7th January 2009, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

30. Public Question Time

No public questions were received during the meeting.

31. Review of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Knowledge Tests

The Group Director, Environment and Regeneration submitted a report setting out proposed changes to the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Knowledge Tests.

Resolved – That, effective from 1st March 2009, approval be given to the amendments to the Council's Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver Knowledge Test, as set out in the report of the Group Director, Environment and Regeneration.

(Councillor John Ballman requested that his vote abstention in the vote on this resolution be recorded.)

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Agenda Item 8

By virtue of paragraph(s) 1, 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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