

## **NORTH DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL LICENSING COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 15 MARCH 2019**

**Present:** Cllrs E Parker (Chairman), B Ridout (Vice-Chairman), D Beer, A Burch, V Fox, M Gould, C Langham and J Tanner

**Apologies:** Cllrs A Chase and S Pritchard

**Officers present (for all or part of the meeting):**

Roy MacLeod (Acting Team Leader (Licensing)), Roy Keepax (Licensing Officer) and Lindsey Watson (Senior Democratic Services Officer)

**5. Code of Conduct**

D Beer declared an interest in respect of agenda item 6 as he had used a taxi company referred to within the review application on one occasion.

**6. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**7. Urgent Business**

There were no urgent items.

**8. Exempt Business**

It was proposed by D Beer seconded by B Ridout.

**Decision**

That under section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as detailed in paragraph 1 of part 1 of schedule 12a to the Act.

**9. Suitability to hold licenses - Exempt**

The Chairman welcomed the driver to the meeting and outlined the procedure to be followed by the committee. The driver confirmed that they were content with the procedure.

The Acting Team Leader (Licensing) introduced the report and outlined the details contained in it to members.

The driver addressed the committee in relation to the papers before the committee and answered members' questions. At the end of the question session, the driver and the Acting Team Leader (Licensing) gave their closing comments.

The driver, the Acting Team Leader (Licensing) and the Licensing Officer left the room while the committee considered their decision.

The driver and the Acting Team Leader (Licensing) returned to the room to hear the decision of the committee.

**Decision**

- a) After careful consideration of all the evidence presented to them the committee concluded that the application to review the hackney carriage driver's licence for a period of one year be approved
- b) To take no action in respect of the hackney carriage vehicle licences held by the driver.

**Duration of meeting:** 11.50 am - 1.00 pm

**Chairman**

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