

**DORSET COUNCIL - LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9 DECEMBER 2019**

**Present:** Cllrs Jon Andrews, Emma Parker and Kate Wheller

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

Sarah Fazakerley (Licensing Officer), Louise Gosnold (Licensing Officer), Roger Greene (Senior Corporate and Regulatory Lawyer), Aileen Powell (Team Leader Licensing) and Elaine Tibble (Democratic Services Officer)

**42. Election of Chairman and Statement of the Procedure for the Meeting**

It was proposed by, Cllr Wheller, seconded by Cllr Parker.

**Decision: That Cllr Andrews be elected as Chairman for the duration of the meeting.**

**43. Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests were made at the meeting.

**44. Urgent items**

There were no urgent items.

**45. Exempt Business**

It was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Wheller.

**Decision**

**That the press and the public be excluded for the following item(s) in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the meaning of paragraph 3 of schedule 12 A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).**

**46. Determination of an Application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence**

The Licensing sub-committee received a report from the Licensing Team Leader who outlined the details of the application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Both the applicant and representative were invited to address the sub-committee members and the committee members asked questions of the applicant.

The sub-committee adjourned to discuss the application and make their decision.

On returning the Chairman delivered the outcome of the appeal.

**Decision: That the application be refused. The subcommittee did not feel that the applicant could be considered a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence, in accordance with the relevant legislation.**

#### 47. **Consideration of current Private Hire Operator's Licence**

The Licensing sub-committee received the report from the Licensing Team Leader which recommended that that the Authority revoke the Private Hire Operators Licence.

The applicant was not present.

The sub-committee adjourned to make their decision.

**Decision: that the Private Hire Operators Licence be revoked. The sub-committee did not find it possible to reconcile the complaints received with being a "fit and proper person" for the purpose of holding a Private Hire Operators Licence at this time.**

**Duration of meeting: 10.00 - 10.45 am**

**Chairman**

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