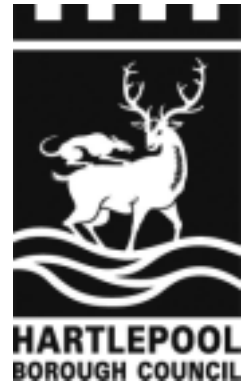


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Thursday 14th May 2009

at 2.00 pm

**in Committee Room A
Civic Centre, Hartlepool**

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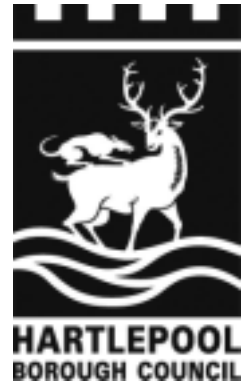
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MINUTES AND DECISION RECORD

29th January 2009

The meeting commenced at 2.00 p.m. in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

Councillors: Atkinson, R Cook (Chair), Fleet and London

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.2 (ii), Councillor Gerard Hall attended as a substitute for Councillor Sheila Griffin

Officers: Tony MacNab, Solicitor
Ian Harrison, Principal Licensing Officer
Jo Wilson, Democratic Services Officer

42. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Sheila Griffin

43. Declarations of Interest by Members

None

44. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 10th June 2008

Agreed

45. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 9th October 2008

Agreed

46. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Under section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and

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Minute 47– Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence - NB

Minute 48 – Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence - JEM

Minute 49 – Private Hire Driver’s Licence - KMMc

Minute 50 – Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence - RB

Minute 51 – Private Hire Drivers Licence - GR

47. Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence NB – *(Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)*

(Para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes

48. Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence JEM – *(Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)*

(Para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

Decision

The decision is contained in the exempt section of the minutes.

49. Private Hire Driver's Licence KMMc *(Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)*

(Para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Purpose of Report

To consider what action, if any, should be taken against a licensed private hire vehicle driver.

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes.

50. Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence RB *(Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)*

(Para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes.

51. Private Hire Drivers Licence GR *(Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)*

(Para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Private Hire Drivers Licence

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes.

The meeting concluded at 4.20pm

CHAIRMAN



LICENSING COMMITTEE

Procedure for Contentious Matters Relating To Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Licence Sub Committee

The hearing will be in private and not open to the press or members of the public. The applicant/ appellants will be entitled to be represented by a solicitor or other person.

In advance of the commencement of the meeting (or consideration of an individual case) the Democratic Services Officer shall establish the identity of those present, who they represent and who intends, or wishes, to speak. The officer should also if possible, outline the procedure to the representatives before the meeting commences.

1. Chairman's opening comments.
2. The Democratic Services Officer representative will indicate which parties are present at the meeting and will briefly outline the procedure (if not already done).
3. The Head of Public Protection and Housing (or his representative) will outline the facts, adding any additional information as is necessary.
4. Members of the Committee will have an opportunity to ask any questions of the officer.
5. The Head of Public Protection and Housing (or his nominated representative) will call any further witnesses or persons (including a Police Officer) to comment. Members will again have the opportunity to ask questions.
6. The applicant/appellant (or representative) will then put his/her case.
7. Members of the Committee will have an opportunity to ask any questions of the applicant/ appellant.
8. The applicant/appellant (or nominated representative) may call further witnesses or persons to comment. Members will again have the opportunity to ask questions.
9. All persons other than Committee members will then withdraw whilst the matter is considered and a decision reached.
10. Should members require further information at stage, all parties are to be invited to return.
11. All parties will be recalled to hear the decision of the members.

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12. Should the decision go against the applicant/appellant, he/she will be informed verbally of the right of appeal to the Magistrates Court.
13. The decision will then be communicated to the applicant/appellant in writing as soon as practicable together with details of the right of appeal to the Magistrates Court within 21 days.

NOTES

Members of the Committee should ask only specific relevant questions and avoid debating the issue until all parties have withdrawn.

Only members present during the whole of the hearing should be involved in the decision making process.

An application for adjournment should be granted by the Chairperson at any time during the proceedings, if it is felt that the applicant/appellant is not receiving a fair hearing.

NO CROSS EXAMINATION IS TO TAKE PLACE AT THE MEETING.

Each party is to be allowed to make representation to the Members without interruption.