



Leicester
City Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the
LICENSING ENFORCEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

Held: TUESDAY, 30 JULY 2024 at 10:00 am

P R E S E N T:

Councillor Singh Johal (Chair)

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Councillor Chauhan

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1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Councillor Singh Johal was appointed as Chair.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any interests they might have in the business to be discussed on the agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Enforcement Sub-Committee held on 9 July 2024 be confirmed as a correct record.

5. APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF STREET TRADING CONSENT - ROYCE'S ROLLS

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submitted a report that required Members to determine the Renewal of a Street Trading Licence. for Royce's Rolls.

The Applicant, Mr Louis Richards was present. The BRITE centre café owner was present in objection to the application. The Licensing Team Manager and Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee were also present.

The Chair led introductions and informed those present of housekeeping and evacuation procedures.

The Licensing Team Manager presented the report and outlined details of the application, including the relevant City Council Guidelines.

The Objector was invited to set out his representation and answered questions from Members and Officers.

The Applicant was invited to set out his representation and answered questions from Members and Officers.

All parties present were given the opportunity to sum up their positions and make any final comments.

The Sub-Committee received legal advice from the Legal adviser to the Sub-Committee in the presence of all those present.

In reaching their decision, Members felt they should deliberate in private on the basis that this was in the public interest, and as such outweighed the public interest of their deliberation taking place with the parties represented present.

The Chair announced that the decision and reasons made during private deliberation would be announced in writing within five working days.

The Chair informed the meeting that the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee would be called back to give advice on the wording of the decision.

The Chair then asked all but Members of the Sub-Committee and Governance Services to leave the meeting. The Sub-Committee then deliberated in private to consider their decision.

The Sub-Committee recalled the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee to give advice on the wording of the decision.

RESOLVED:

That the application for the renewal of Street Trading Consent for Royce's Rolls be GRANTED subject to existing conditions.

The Applicant would be provided with reasons for the decision in writing within 5 working days.

All parties would be advised of the right to appeal the decision.

6. PRIVATE SESSION

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following reports in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, because they involve the likely disclosure of 'exempt' information, as defined in the Paragraphs detailed below of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and taking all the circumstances into account, it was considered that the public interest in maintaining the information as exempt outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

Paragraph 1

Information relating to an individual.

Paragraph 2

Information that is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

Paragraph 3

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority).

B1) APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS LICENCE

B2) APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS LICENCE

7. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submitted a report that required Members to determine an Application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence.

The applicant was present. The Licensing Team Manager and Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee were also present.

The Chair led introductions and informed those present of housekeeping and evacuation procedures.

The Licensing Team Manager presented the report and outlined details of the applicant, including the relevant City Council Guidelines.

The applicant was invited to set out their representations and answered questions from Members and Officers.

All parties present were given the opportunity to sum up their positions and make any final comments.

The Chair requested further information, to be provided outside of the meeting, regarding the causes of the delay in the application being brought to the Committee.

The Sub-Committee received legal advice from the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee in the presence of all those present.

In reaching their decision, Members felt they should deliberate in private on the basis that this was in the public interest, and as such outweighed the public interest of their deliberation taking place with the parties represented present.

The Chair announced that the decision and reasons made during private deliberation would be announced in writing within five working days.

The Chair informed the meeting that the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee would be called back to give advice on the wording of the decision.

The Chair then asked all but Members of the Sub-Committee and Governance Services to leave the meeting. The Sub-Committee then deliberated in private to consider their decision.

The Sub-Committee recalled the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee to give advice on the wording of the decision.

RESOLVED:

That the application for the grant of an Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles Licence be GRANTED as Members of the Sub-Committee were satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

The applicant would be provided with reasons for the decision in writing within 5 working days.

All parties would be advised of the right to appeal the decision.

8. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submitted a report that required Members to determine an application for the grant of a hackney carriage and private hire vehicle driver's licence.

The applicant was present alongside a friend. The Licensing Team Manager and Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee were also present.

The Chair led introductions and informed those present of housekeeping and evacuation procedures.

The Licensing Team Manager presented the report and outlined details of the applicant, including the relevant City Council Guidelines.

The applicant, with assistance in translation from his friend, was invited to set out his representations, provided a written statement and answered questions from Members and Officers.

All parties present were given the opportunity to sum up their positions and make any final comments.

The Sub-Committee received legal advice from the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee in the presence of all those present.

In reaching their decision, Members felt they should deliberate in private on the basis that this was in the public interest, and as such outweighed the public interest of their deliberation taking place with the parties represented present.

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RESOLVED:

That the application for the grant of a hackney carriage and private hire vehicle driver's licence be REFUSED as Members of the Sub-Committee were not satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person.

The applicant would be provided with reasons for the decision in writing within 5 working days.

All parties would be advised of the right to appeal the decision.

9. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

There being no other urgent business, the meeting closed at 12:22pm.