

South Somerset District Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Licensing Taxi Sub-Committee** held on Friday 15th February 2008 at Yeovil Town Council, The Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil.

(10.30am – 11.15am)

Present:

Members:

Martin Wale (in the Chair)
Dave Bulmer
Keith Ronaldson

Officers:

Nigel Marston	Licensing Enforcement Officer
Angela Watson	Assistant Solicitor
Jo Morris	Committee Administrator

1. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

2. **Terms of Reference**

The Terms of Reference were noted.

3. **Agreed procedure to be followed when considering Taxi Licence Reviews**

The Sub-Committee noted the agreed procedure to be followed when considering Taxi Licence Reviews.

Exclusion of the Public

In accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the Committee resolved that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act, i.e. information relating to any individual.

4. **Grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence**

The Sub-Committee followed the procedure as set out in Agenda Item 3

- The applicant was present with his character referee.
- The Licensing Enforcement Officer explained the background to the case, the reasons for bringing this case before the Sub-Committee and the relevance to the

corporate priorities of this Council concerning community safety. The Licensing Enforcement Officer explained the decision options available to the Sub-Committee.

- Members were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Licensing Enforcement Officer concerning the case.
- The applicant and his character referee were also given the opportunity to make representations to the Sub-Committee.
- All parties withdrew, with the exception of the Assistant Solicitor and the Committee Administrator, leaving the Sub-Committee to consider its decision.

Upon reconvening, the Chairman announced the decision of the Sub-Committee.

RESOLVED: That the licence be granted for a period of one year.

REASON: The Sub-Committee agreed that there were no reasons not to grant the licence and they were satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

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The meeting closed at 11.15am.

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Chairman