#### **DINAS A SIR ABERTAWE**

#### **HYSBYSIAD O GYFARFOD**

Fe'ch gwahoddir i gyfarfod

### PWYLLGOR TRWYDDEDU CYFFREDINOL

Lleoliad: Siambr y Cyngor, Neuadd y Ddinas, Abertawe

Dyddiad: Dydd Gwener, 21 Ebrill 2017

Amser: 10.00 am

Cadeirydd: Cynghorydd Penny Matthews

#### Aelodaeth:

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Cynghorwyr: C Anderson, A C S Colburn, A M Cook, J P Curtice, P Downing, V M Evans, P Lloyd, K E Marsh, H M Morris, C L Philpott a/ac T H Rees

Mae croeso i chi ddefnyddio'r Gymraeg. Os dymunwch ddefnyddio'r Gymraeg, rhowch wybod i ni erbyn canol dydd ar y diwrnod gwaith cyn y cyfarfod.

#### AGENDA

Rhif y Dudalen.

- 2 Derbyn datgeliadau o fuddiannau personol a rhagfarnol.
- www.abertawe.gov.uk/DatgeliadauBuddiannau

Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.

- Cofnodion:
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- 4 Gwahardd y cyhoedd. 4 7
- 5 Deddf Cyfrifoldebau Heddluoedd Tref 1847 Deddf Llywodraeth 8 15 Leol (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) 1976 - Cais am Drwydded Cerbyd Hacni a Gyrrwr Hurio Preifat - JW.
- 6 Deddf Cyfrifoldebau Heddluoedd Tref 1847 Deddf Llywodraeth 16 22 Leol (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) 1976 - Cais i Ganiatáu Trwydded Cerbyd Hacni a Gyrrwr Preifat - LS.
- 7 Deddf Cyfrifoldebau Heddluoedd Tref 1847 Deddf Llywodraeth 23 30 Leol (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) 1976 - Cais am Drwydded Cerbyd Hacni a Gyrrwr Hurio Preifat - SMS.
- 8 Deddf Llywodraeth Leol (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) Act 1976 31 33 Gyrrwr Bathodyn Deuol SCT.

- 9 DeDeddf Cydraddoldeb 2010 Cŵn Cymorth mewn Tacsis Cais 34 41 am Dystysgrif Eithrio TAA.
- 10 Deddf Cydraddoldeb 2010 Teithwyr mewn Cadeiriau Olwyn 42 44 Cais am Dystysgrif Eithrio WJG.

Huw Eons

Huw Evans Pennaeth Gwasanaethau Democrataidd Dydd Iau, 13 Ebrill 2017

Cyswllt: Gwasanaethau Democrataidd - Ffon: (01792) 636923

### **CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA**

### MINUTES OF THE GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE

### HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBER, GUILDHALL, SWANSEA ON FRIDAY, 10 MARCH 2017 AT 10.00 AM

**PRESENT**: Councillor P M Matthews (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)C AndersonA C S ColburnA M CookJ P CurticeP DowningV M EvansP LloydK E MarshH M Morris

T H Rees

Officer(s)

A Gruffydd Lawyer

R Jenkins Licensing Officer

Y Lewis Senior Licensing Officer S Woon Democratic Services Officer

**Apologies for Absence** Councillor(s): C L Philpott

### 86 DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

### 87 **MINUTES**:

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the General Licensing Committee held on 10 February, 2017, be agreed as a correct record.

### 88 **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC.**

The Committee was requested to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of the items of business identified in the recommendations to the report on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in the exclusion paragraph of 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation)(Wales) Order 2007, relevant to the item of business as set out in the report.

The Committee considered the Public Interest Test in deciding to exclude the public from the meeting for the items of business where the Public Interest Test was relevant, as set out in the report.

It was **RESOLVED** that the public be excluded for the following items of business.

(CLOSED SESSION)

### Minutes of the General Licensing Committee (10.03.2017) Cont'd

### 89 <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - DUAL BADGE DRIVER - JBH.</u>

The Senior Licensing Officer detailed the background in respect of JBH and answered Members questions.

Mr Warren, Solicitor, asked a question of the Officer who responded accordingly.

JBH, accompanied by Mr Warren, Solicitor, outlined the circumstances of the allegation and answered Members questions.

**RESOLVED** that JBH's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Licences be **RENEWED** under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and JBH be issued with a strong warning letter.

# 90 TOWN POLICE CLAUSES ACT 1847 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - LJP.

The Senior Licensing Officer detailed the background in respect of LJP and answered Members questions.

LJP explained the circumstances of the convictions and answered Members questions.

The Lawyer advising the Committee, read a letter of mitigation written by LJP.

**RESOLVED** that LJP's application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence be **APPROVED** under sections 51 and 59 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and LJP be issued with a strong warning letter regarding future conduct.

# 91 TOWN POLICE CLAUSES ACT 1847 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - DP.

The Senior Licensing Officer detailed the background in respect of DP and answered Members questions.

DP outlined the circumstances of the conviction/endorsement and answered Members questions.

**RESOLVED** that DP's application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence be **APPROVED** under sections 51 and 59 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.

### Minutes of the General Licensing Committee (10.03.2017)

# 92 TOWN POLICE CLAUSES ACT 1847 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - DAH.

The Senior Licensing Officer detailed the background in respect of DAH and answered Members questions.

Questions were asked of the Lawyer advising the Committee, who responded accordingly.

DAH explained the circumstances of the convictions and answered Members questions.

### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. DAH's the application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence be **APPROVED** under sections 51 and sections 59 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 with the condition that DAH undertake annual Group Two Medicals;
- **2.** DAH be issued with a warning letter regarding future conduct.

### 93 <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - DUAL BADGE DRIVER - SH.</u>

The Senior Licensing Officer detailed the background in respect of SH.

SH explained the circumstances of the convictions and answered Member and Officer questions.

**RESOLVED** that SH be issued with a strong warning letter regarding future conduct.

The meeting ended at 11.19 am

**CHAIR** 

### Report of the Interim Head of Legal & Democratic Services

### **General Licensing Committee – 21 April 2017**

#### **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

Purpose:		To consider whether the Public should be excluded from the following items of business.
Policy	Framework:	None.
Reaso	n for Decisio	n: To comply with legislation.
Consultation:		Legal.
Recommendation(s):		s): It is recommended that:
1)	item(s) of but of exempt in 12A of the L Government	e excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following siness on the grounds that it / they involve(s) the likely disclosure formation as set out in the Paragraphs listed below of Schedule ocal Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 subject Interest Test (where appropriate) being applied.  Relevant Paragraphs in Schedule 12A
Repor	t Author:	Democratic Services
Finan	ce Officer:	Not Applicable
Legal	Officer:	Tracey Meredith – Interim Head of Legal & Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, allows a Principal Council to pass a resolution excluding the public from a meeting during an item of business.
- 1.2 Such a resolution is dependent on whether it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that if members of the public were present during that item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as defined in section 100l of the Local Government Act 1972.

### 2. Exclusion of the Public / Public Interest Test

2.1 In order to comply with the above mentioned legislation, Cabinet will be requested to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the item(s) of business identified in the recommendation(s) to the report on the grounds that it / they involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as

set out in the Exclusion Paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007.

- 2.2 Information which falls within paragraphs 12 to 15, 17 and 18 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended is exempt information if and so long as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
- 2.3 The specific Exclusion Paragraphs and the Public Interest Tests to be applied are listed in **Appendix A**.
- 2.4 Where paragraph 16 of the Schedule 12A applies there is no public interest test. Councillors are able to consider whether they wish to waive their legal privilege in the information, however, given that this may place the Council in a position of risk, it is not something that should be done as a matter of routine.

### 3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

### 4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 The legislative provisions are set out in the report.
- 4.2 Councillors must consider with regard to each item of business set out in paragraph 2 of this report the following matters:
- 4.2.1 Whether in relation to that item of business the information is capable of being exempt information, because it falls into one of the paragraphs set out in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended and reproduced in Appendix A to this report.
- 4.2.2 If the information does fall within one or more of paragraphs 12 to 15, 17 and 18 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended, the public interest test as set out in paragraph 2.2 of this report.
- 4.2.3 If the information falls within paragraph 16 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 in considering whether to exclude the public members are not required to apply the public interest test but must consider whether they wish to waive their privilege in relation to that item for any reason.

Background Papers: None.

**Appendices:** Appendix A – Public Interest Test.

### **Public Interest Test**

No.	Relevant Paragraphs in Schedule 12A			
12	Information relating to a particular individual.			
	The Proper Officer (Monitoring Officer) has determined in preparing this report that paragraph 12 should apply. Their view on the public interest test was that to make this information public would disclose personal data relating to an individual in contravention of the principles of the Data Protection Act.  Because of this and since there did not appear to be an overwhelming public interest in requiring the disclosure of personal data they felt that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.			
13	Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.			
	The Proper Officer (Monitoring Officer) has determined in preparing this report that paragraph 13 should apply. Their view on the public interest test was that the individual involved was entitled to privacy and that there was no overriding public interest which required the disclosure of the individual's identity. On that basis they felt that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.			
14	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).			
	The Proper Officer (Monitoring Officer) has determined in preparing this report that paragraph 14 should apply. Their view on the public interest test was that:			
	a) Whilst they were mindful of the need to ensure the transparency and accountability of public authority for decisions taken by them in relation to the spending of public money, the right of a third party to the privacy of their financial / business affairs outweighed the need for that information to be made public; or			
	<b>b)</b> Disclosure of the information would give an unfair advantage to tenderers for commercial contracts.			
	This information is not affected by any other statutory provision which requires the information to be publicly registered.			
	On that basis they felt that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.			

No.	Relevant Paragraphs in Schedule 12A		
15	Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.		
	The Proper Officer (Monitoring Officer) has determined in preparing this report that paragraph 15 should apply. Their view on the public interest test was that whilst they are mindful of the need to ensure that transparency and accountability of public authority for decisions taken by them they were satisfied that in this case disclosure of the information would prejudice the discussion in relation to labour relations to the disadvantage of the authority and inhabitants of its area. On that basis they felt that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.		
16	Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.  No public interest test.		
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17	<ul> <li>Information which reveals that the authority proposes:</li> <li>(a) To give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or</li> <li>(b) To make an order or direction under any enactment.</li> <li>The Proper Officer (Monitoring Officer) has determined in preparing this report that paragraph 17 should apply. Their view on the public interest test was that</li> </ul>		
	that paragraph 17 should apply. Their view on the public interest test was that the authority's statutory powers could be rendered ineffective or less effective were there to be advanced knowledge of its intention/the proper exercise of the Council's statutory power could be prejudiced by the public discussion or speculation on the matter to the detriment of the authority and the inhabitants of its area. On that basis they felt that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.		
18	Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime		
	The Proper Officer (Monitoring Officer) has determined in preparing this report that paragraph 18 should apply. Their view on the public interest test was that the authority's statutory powers could be rendered ineffective or less effective were there to be advanced knowledge of its intention/the proper exercise of the Council's statutory power could be prejudiced by public discussion or speculation on the matter to the detriment of the authority and the inhabitants of its area. On that basis they felt that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.		

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