

## **City and County of Swansea**

# **Minutes of the General Licensing Committee**

### Council Chamber - Guildhall, Swansea

Friday, 9 August 2019 at 10.00 am

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

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)C AndersonP DowningS J Gallagher

L G Thomas

Officer(s)

Lyndsay Thomas Principal Lawyer

Jeremy Parkhouse Democratic Services Officer

**Apologies for Absence** 

Councillor(s): J P Curtice, N J Davies, P Lloyd, H M Morris, C L Philpott,

B J Rowlands and L V Walton

Officer(s): Lynda Anthony

#### 23 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.

#### 24 Minutes:

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the General Licensing Committee held on 12 July 2019 be agreed as a correct record.

### 25 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.

**Resolved** that the public be excluded for the following items of business.

## Minutes of the General Licensing Committee (09.08.2019) Cont'd

## (Closed Session)

Town Police Clauses Act 1847 & Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions)
Act 1976 - Application for the Grant of a Restricted Hackney Carriage and
Private Hire Driver's Licence - DSP.

The Principal Lawyer, detailed the background in respect of DSP.

DSP explained the circumstances relating to the convictions and answered Members questions.

The Lawyer advising the Committee provided clarification on the issues raised by Members.

**Resolved** that DSP's application for the grant of a Restricted Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence be **refused**.

## Reason for Decision

The Committee were not satisfied that DSP was a fit and proper person due to serious and repeated convictions for possession and / or supply and / or production of controlled drugs.

27 Immediate Action Update/Results of Appeals.

The Immediate Action Update / Results of Appeals report was presented.

**Resolved** that the contents of the report be noted.

The meeting ended at 11.00 am

Chair