



City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the **General Licensing Committee**

Council Chamber, Guildhall, Swansea

Friday, 14 June 2019 at 10.00 am

Present: Councillor P M Matthews (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)

C Anderson
S J Gallagher
C L Philpott

Councillor(s)

N J Davies
P Lloyd
B J Rowlands

Councillor(s)

P Downing
H M Morris
L G Thomas

Officer(s)

Lynda Anthony
Aled Gruffydd
Yvonne Lewis
Samantha Woon

Licensing, Food and Safety Manager
Lawyer
Team Leader, Licensing
Democratic Services Officer

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): J P Curtice and L V Walton

12 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.

13 Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the General Licensing Committee held on 9 May 2019 and 10 May 2019 be agreed as a correct record.

14 Review of Suitability Guidance for Applicants and Licensees of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Trades.

The Licensing, Food & Safety Manager, sought Members consideration of the introduction of a new guidance to assist in determining the suitability of taxi and private hire applicants and licence holders by the City & County of Swansea.

She detailed the background, consultation, result of consultation, conclusion and proposal.

Members asked questions of the Officer who responded accordingly.

Resolved that the Introduction of the new “Guidance on determining the suitability of applicants and licensees in the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Trades” be agreed and take effect from 1 August 2019.

15 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.

(Closed Session)

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

The Licensing, Food & Safety Manager, detailed the background in respect of PDO.

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

Resolved that PDO's application for a Restricted Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence be **approved**.

17 Immediate Action Update.

The actions taken by Officers were noted.

The meeting ended at 10.55 am

Chair