



City and County of Swansea

## Minutes of the **General Licensing Committee**

Remotely via Microsoft Teams

Friday, 9 April 2021 at 10.00 am

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

**Councillor(s)**

C Anderson  
S J Gallagher  
C L Philpott

**Councillor(s)**

J P Curtice  
P Lloyd  
L V Walton

**Councillor(s)**

P Downing  
H M Morris

**Officer(s)**

Lynda Anthony  
Aled Gruffydd  
Richard Jenkins  
Samantha Woon

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

**Apologies for Absence**

Councillor(s): N J Davies, B J Rowlands and L G Thomas

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**29 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.

**30 Minutes.**

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the General Licensing Committee held on 12 March, 2021, be agreed as a correct record.

**31 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)**

**32 Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 - Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence - KGR.**

The Licensing Food & Safety Manager and Lawyer advising the Committee advised that there had been a change of circumstance regarding the matter and sought Committee approval to defer consideration to the next meeting of the Committee.

**Resolved** that:

1. The matter be deferred to the next meeting of the General Licensing Committee.

**33 Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 - Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence - VM.**

The Licensing Food & Safety Manager detailed the background information in respect of VM.

Members' asked questions of the Officer who responded accordingly.

VM, accompanied by BW, legal representative, explained the circumstances relating to the convictions and answered Members' questions.

**Resolved** that:

1. VM's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licences are **not** renewed.

**Reason for Decision**

VM did not satisfy Members he was a fit and proper and safe and suitable to hold a licence under sections 3.30 and 3.32 of the guidance on determining the suitability of applicants and licenses in the Hackney and Private Hire Trades.

The meeting ended at 12.10 pm

**Chair**