

City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the General Licensing Committee

Multi-Location Meeting - Council Chamber, Guildhall / MS Teams

Friday, 11 November 2022 at 10.00 am

Present: Councillor P M Matthews (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)P DowningV A HollandS JoyP LloydM W LockeH M Morris

C L Philpott L V Walton

Officer(s)

Craig Davies Associate Lawyer

Richard Jenkins Operational Lead - Taxis Yvonne Lewis Team Leader, Licensing

Paula Livingstone Divisional EHO, Pollution Control and Private Sector

Housing

Ann Morgan Singh Senior Environmental Health Officer

Samantha Woon Democratic Services Officer

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): M Bailey, J P Curtice and B J Rowlands

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 14 October, 2022 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.

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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)

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

The Operational Lead, Taxis, presented the background information in respect of ASJ.

Members' asked questions of the Officer who responded accordingly.

ASJ explained the circumstances relating to the matter and answered Members' questions.

Resolved that:

1) ASJ's application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence be granted with a warning letter regarding future conduct.

Reasons for Decision

The Committee were satisfied ASJ met the fitness criteria for grant. The Applicant's comments were sufficient to satisfy 3.29 around the para 4.20 justifying the grant with the warning.

27 HMO Licensing - Housing Act 2004 - Fit and Proper Person Status - CD.

The Divisional Environmental Health Officer – Pollution Control and Private Sector Housing accompanied by the Senior Environmental Health Officer, presented the background information in respect of CD.

Members asked questions of the Officers who responded accordingly.

CD, accompanied by Mr P D, explained the circumstances relating to the matter and answered Members' questions.

Resolved that:

- 1. CD be issued with a warning letter regarding future conduct.
- 2. CD is a fit and proper person and the management arrangements are satisfactory as set out in the Council's Policy.

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Reasons for Decision

The Committee were satisfied CD met the fit and proper person criteria.

The meeting ended at 12.10 pm

Chair