

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
Licensing Regulatory Sub-Committee of
Adur District Council**

Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Shoreham-by-Sea

11 December 2017

Councillor James Butcher (Chairman)

Brian Coomber

Lyn Phillips

LRSC/17-18/12 Declarations of Substitutions

There were no substitutions

LRSC/17-18/13 Declarations of Interest

There were none

LRSC/17-18/14 Items Raised Under Urgency Provisions

There were no items raised under urgency provisions

LRSC/17-18/15 Exclusion of the Press and Public

that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting on the grounds of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12 A to the Act indicated against the item.

**LRSC/17-18/16 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976
Determination of a new application for a Private Hire Driver Licence**

Before the Committee was a report by the Director for Customer Services, a copy of which has been circulated to members of the Sub-Committee and a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these minutes as item 4. The report before members detailed the circumstances by which the driver's application was before Members.

The Committee carried out the procedure agreed for the meeting

The Committee adjourned at 8.54pm

The Committee reconvened at 9.25pm

The meeting was told that in reaching its decision the Licensing Regulatory Sub Committee had given due regard to the best practice guidance, the relevant legislation and the rules of natural justice.

Resolved: that the licence be granted;

Reason for decision: 3 years 9 months has elapsed since the applicant's last conviction, which was an offence for dishonestly making a false

statement/representation to obtain benefit. There were clear grounds to revoke the license to protect the public at that time on 11th February 2014, which were upheld subsequently on Appeal by the Magistrates Court.

Since that time there have been no further convictions as outlined in the last Disclosing and Barring Service check, which was made on 27 September 2017. The Committee takes the view that lessons have been learned that there had been no dishonesty in the applicant's previous role as an Adur Private Licence Holder and is satisfied that the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold a drivers licence. The Committee does take any form of dishonesty seriously particularly where there is a risk to the travelling public. Due to all of these factors the Committee is satisfied that you are a fit and proper person to hold a driver's licence.

The meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 9.26pm, it having commenced at 8.50pm.

Chairman