
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LICENSING (GENERAL PURPOSES)**SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON 5 JULY 2013 AT 10.00 A.M.****IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WEELEY**

Present: Councillors Skeels (Chairman), Fawcett (Vice-Chairman), Casey, De-Vaux Balbirnie, Platt, Powell, Pugh and Sambridge.

In Attendance: Legal Services Manager (Lisa Hastings), Solicitor (Linda Trembath), Licensing Manager (Alan Tolmie), Democratic Services Officer (Janey Nice) and Licensing Assistant (Michael Cook).

Also in Attendance: Legal Associate (Charlotte Parker), Licensing Administration Assistant (Jamie Livermore) and Simon Harvey.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

There were none.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 15 March 2013 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

4. HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE LICENCES

The Sub-Committee noted the contents of a report on the number of drivers, vehicles and operators licensed by the Council as at 21 June 2013, which was submitted for information only.

When asked why there had been a drop in the number of Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence Holders, the Licensing Manager (Alan Tolmie) informed the Committee he believed it was due to the imposition of tougher Licence conditions and the cost of acquiring a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence.

5. APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF A SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE – ADULT CENTRE, 28 ORWELL ROAD, CLACTON-ON-SEA, ESSEX

The Committee was informed that the applicant was not present at the meeting. The Licensing Manager informed it that there had been no problems with the applicant or assistants who were regularly checked by the Council.

When a member of the Committee commented on the poor quality of the location map provided with the report the Licensing Manager undertook to ensure the quality of any maps provided with a report would be of an improved quality.

It was moved by Councillor De-Vaux Balbirnie, seconded by Councillor Casey and:-

RESOLVED - That the application for the renewal of the Sex Establishment Licence, in respect of The Adult Centre, 28 Orwell Road, Clacton-on-Sea, be granted.

6. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

There were none.

7. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was moved by Councillor Heaney, duly seconded and:

RESOLVED that under Schedule 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the items of business to be considered below on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act:

- (a) Special Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 15 March 2013
- (b) Report of Corporate Director (Public Experience)
 - B.1 - Applications for the Renewal of Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences
 - B.2 - Review of Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences

8. SPECIAL MINUTES

The Special Minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 15 March 2013 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Chairman