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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LICENSING (GENERAL PURPOSES)****SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON 12 AUGUST 2014 AT 10.05 A.M.****IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WEELEY**

**Present:** Councillors Fawcett (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Casey, De-Vaux Balbirnie, Mitchell, Pugh, Sambridge and White

**In Attendance:** Licensing Manager (Simon Harvey), Solicitor (Linda Trembath), Senior Democratic Services Officer (Ian Ford) and Licensing Officer (Michael Cook)

**12. CHAIR**

In the absence of the Chairman of the Sub-Committee, Councillor D C Skeels, the meeting was chaired by the Vice-Chairman, Councillor Fawcett.

**13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors Powell, with Councillor White substituting and D C Skeels.

**14. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting of the Sub-Committee, held on 12 May 2014, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**15. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

**16. HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND 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 29 July 2014, which was submitted for information only.

**17. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT**

There were none.

**18. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was moved by Councillor De-Vaux Balbirnie, seconded by Councillor Mitchell 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 involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A, as amended, of the Act:

(a) Exempt Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 12 May 2014

(b) Reports of Corporate Director (Public Experience)

B.1 - Request for the Grant of an additional Street Trading Consent, Mistley Walls, Manningtree

B.2 - Applications for the Renewal of Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences

B.3 - Review of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Licences

**19. EXEMPT MINUTES**

The Exempt Minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 12 May 2014 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The Chairman expressed his concern that the private part of the Sub-Committee's meetings could be recorded by Members attending the meeting and using their laptops.

Councillor White stated for the record that on those occasions that he attended licensing sub-committee meetings and sat in the public gallery he used his laptop to access an electronic copy of the agenda and reports etc. for that particular meeting.

Chairman