



Licensing Appeal Hearing

To: Councillors Richardson, Looker and Pavlovic

Date: Monday, 26 March 2018

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: The Thornton Room - Ground Floor, West Offices (G039)

AGENDA

1. Chair

To elect a Member to act as Chair of the meeting.

2. Introductions

3. Declarations of Interest

At this point in the meeting, Members are asked to declare:

- any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests
- any prejudicial interests or
- any disclosable pecuniary interests

which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.

4. The determination of an appeal against revocation of a private hire drivers license

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LICENSING APPEAL HEARING

1. Purpose of Meeting

For the Gambling, Licensing and Regulatory Committee Sub-Committee to consider an appeal against a decision of officers in respect of the revocation of a private hire drivers licence.

2. Nature of Meeting

(a) Appeals are heard under Council procedure as a measure of good administration, they are not statutory. In respect of the appeal above concerning revocation of a vehicle licence there is a further right of appeal to the Magistrates Court.

(b) In hearing the appeal, The Gambling, Licensing and Regulatory Committee Sub-Committee observes the "rules of natural justice" and to that end:-

- the members of the Sub-Committee have not previously been involved in the application(s);
- each side is given an equal opportunity to present its case: the decision of the Sub-Committee is based on the written evidence submitted and the evidence submitted at the meeting

Council policies are not applied in a blanket fashion. They are considered in relation to the circumstances of each appeal.

3. Procedure

The following formal procedure will normally be observed:

- The appellant and/or his/her representative and the officer(s) appearing for the Council are invited into the meeting.
- The Chair of the Sub-Committee will confirm the nature of the appeal and that the appellant and/or his/her representative are aware of the procedure to be followed
- The Council's representative(s) will present the Council's case and will call and question any supporting witnesses he/she considers necessary.

- Following the presentation of the Council's case, the Sub-Committee will be invited to put questions to the Council's representative(s).
- Then the appellant or his/her representative will be invited to put questions to the Council's representative(s).
- The appellant or his/her representative will present his/her case and will call and question any supporting witnesses he/she considers necessary.
- Following the presentation of the appellant's case, the Sub-Committee will be invited to put questions to the appellant or his/her representative.
- Then the Council's representative(s) will be invited to put questions to the appellant or his/her representative.
- The Council's representative(s) will be invited to make a closing statement.
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- The appellant, his/her representative and the officer(s) presenting the case on behalf of the Council will be asked to leave the meeting while the Sub-Committee considers its decision. Both parties will be asked to wait for a few minutes in case the Panel wish to seek clarification of the evidence given. If it does then both parties will be invited back into the hearing.

4. Decision

The Sub-Committee will consider and reach its decision at the end of the appeal. Both sides will normally be notified of the decision, in writing, within five working days.

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