

16 APRIL 2007

NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee held at Appletree Court, Lyndhurst on Monday, 16 April 2007.

Councillors:

p W H Dow
p R C H Hale

Councillors:

p P R Woods

Officers Attending

Mrs M Dunsmore, M Powell and Ms S Sharp

Also Attending:

Applicant (Report B).

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

RESOLVED:

That Cllr Hale be elected Chairman of the Sub-Committee for this meeting.

(Cllr Hale in the Chair).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in connection with any agenda item.

3. MINUTES (PAPER A)

RESOLVED:

The minutes of the Sub-Committee meeting held on 19 December 2006 were confirmed as a correct record.

4. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS.

RESOLVED:

That, under Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and the Press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the

grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1&2 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

5. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER LICENCE (REPORT B).

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence. The Licensing Officer and the Applicant presented their respective cases and responded to Members' questions.

The Licensing Officer and the Applicant then withdrew, while the Sub-Committee deliberated the matter.

In coming to their decision, the Sub-Committee considered all the evidence contained in the papers and presented on the day from the Applicant and the Licensing Officer. They took into account the fact that the Applicant's motoring offences had occurred over twenty years ago and he had evidenced a full and clean driver's licence since the end of his disqualification.

The Sub-Committee had regard to whether or not, on the balance of probabilities, they were satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage or Private Hire Driver's Licence.

The Sub-Committee were happy with the evidence and content provided within the Applicant's presentation.

The Sub-Committee therefore came to the decision that they were satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Driver's Licence.

RESOLVED:

That a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence be granted to the Applicant, as the Sub-Committee consider that he is a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.

CHAIRMAN