

**MINUTES**

of the

**REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

held on 19 November 2020 at 7pm

Present:

Councillor L. Mascot (Chair)  
Councillor D.G. Jones (Vice-Chair)

Councillors R.H. Ambor, L. Ashley, D.J.R. Clark, A.E. Davidson, J.A. Frasca, R.J. Lee, S. Rajesh and I.C. Roberts

**1. Apologies for Absence**

No apologies for absence were received.

**2. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2020 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**3. Declaration of Interests**

All Members were reminded to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary interests or other registerable interests where appropriate in any items of business on the meeting's agenda. None were made.

**4. Public Question Time**

No questions were asked or statements made.

**5. Urgent Business**

There were no matters of urgent business.

**Exclusion of the Public**

Resolved that under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for Item 6 on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

## 6. Application to re licence a Hackney Carriage Vehicle

*Public interest statement: It is not in the public interest to disclose the content of the report because the information in it concerns the interests and circumstances of an individual who has an expectation that such information would not normally be released to the public. To do otherwise would establish a precedent for the future treatment of personal information.*

The Committee was asked to consider an application for a new Hackney Carriage licence made by Mr. Z after the expiration of the existing one-year licence period. The Committee was informed that the licence issued had expired in August 2020 and that no application to continue the licence had been received prior to its expiry date. The Committee heard that an application was then received six weeks after the expiration of the licence.

The Committee was informed that as the licence had expired it could not be renewed and that Mr Z would have to make a new application to licence the vehicle. As the vehicle did not fit the pre-licensing conditions of being 'a hackney carriage vehicle presented for the first time, it shall be registered to the applicant, and? in any case, be no more than one year old', the Committee was informed that they would have to make an exception in this case to allow the grant of a new licence. (if they were minded to do so).

It was noted by the Committee that if the application had been received on time that it would have been granted automatically and that the matter was before them due to the application being received late.

Mr Z attended the meeting to answer any questions from the Committee and informed them of the extenuating circumstances that had prevented him from renewing the licence on time. It was also noted by the Committee that after correspondence with officers, Mr Z had provided requested information within the deadline set by officers.

It was agreed by the Committee to make an exception to the pre – licensing conditions and that the vehicle in question be granted a new licence due to the extenuating circumstances evidenced by Mr Z.

RESOLVED that an exception to the pre – licensing conditions be made and that the vehicle registration in question be granted a new licence.

*(7.06pm to 7.45pm)*

The meeting closed at 7.45pm

Chair