

Licensing and Appeals Committee

Date: Monday, 4 March 2019

Time: 10.10 am or at the rise of the Licensing Committee Venue: Council Antechamber - Level 2, Town Hall Extension

Everyone is welcome to attend this committee meeting.

Access to the Council Antechamber

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Membership of the Licensing and Appeals Committee

Councillors - Ludford (Chair), Grimshaw (Deputy Chair), Barrett, Chohan, Evans, Hassan, Hughes, Jeavons, T Judge, Lynch, McHale, Madeleine Monaghan, Paul, Reid and Stone

Agenda

1. Urgent Business

To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.

2. Appeals

To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.

3. Interests

To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If Members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

4. **Minutes** 5 - 6

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2018.

5. Taxi Compliance Update Report

The report of the Head of Planning, Building Control and Licensing will follow.

Information about the Committee

The Licensing and Appeals Committee discharges the duties of the Council in relation to a range of licensing and registration functions.

In general, decisions are made by the Committee under powers delegated to it under the Council Constitution and will not require to be referred to the Council for approval. Meetings are controlled by the chair, who is responsible for seeing that the business on the agenda is dealt with properly.

The Committee has previously agreed detailed procedures for dealing with certain types of applications. The role of officers at meetings is to present reports and to give procedural or legal guidance to the Committee

Copies of the agenda are available beforehand from the reception area at the main entrance of the Town Hall in Albert Square. Some additional copies are available at the meeting from the Governance Support Officer.

The Council is concerned to ensure that its meetings are as open as possible and confidential business is kept to the strict minimum. When confidential items are involved these are considered at the end of the meeting at which point members of the public are asked to leave.

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Further Information

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Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 3 December 2018

Present: Councillor Grimshaw – in the Chair

Councillors: Barrett, Chohan, Hassan, J Hughes, Jeavons, T Judge, S Lynch, C Paul, J Reid and Stone

Apologies: Councillor Ludford, Evans, McHale and Madeleine Monaghan

Also present: Councillors: Akbar

LAP/18/29. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 22 October 2018.

Decision

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 22 October 2018.

LAP/18/30. Report on Equalities Act 2010 – Implementation of Sections 165 & 167

The report informed the Committee of the recent implementation of part of the Equalities Act 2010, allowing Councils to designate vehicles as being wheelchair accessible so that new protections under the Act can apply, by publishing a list of such vehicles. The report also outlined a draft Policy and procedures for consideration of exemptions to all relevant parts of the Act.

The Committee requested that it is made very clear to drivers the size of the wheelchair to be accommodated in accessible vehicles, and officers agreed that this would be appropriate.

Decision

- 1. That the committee agrees to the provision and maintenance of a list of designated vehicles under section under 167 of the equalities act 2010.
- 2. That the committee agrees to the related policy with or without amendment (attached at appendix 1 of the report)
- 3. That the Committee agrees that exemption applications can be determined by a Senior Licensing Officer, with the driver having the option to either:
 - a. Appeal the Officer decision to the next available Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee (retain right of appeal to Magistrates' Court within 28 days of Sub-Committee decision)

b. Appeal directly to the Magistrates' Court (within 28 days of the date of refusal)