

# Minutes

Name of meeting	<b>LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE</b>
Date and time	<b>MONDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2015 COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM</b>
Venue	<b>CONFERENCE ROOM 4, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT</b>
Present	Cllrs Colin Richards (Chairman), Richard Hollis, John Howe
Officers Present	Kayleigh Bowers, Amanda Gregory, Sarah MacDonald, Justin Thorne

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23. [Minutes](#)

RESOLVED :

THAT the Minutes of the meetings held on [2](#) and [9 February 2015](#) be confirmed.

24. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations received at this stage.

25. **Exclusion of Public and Press**

RESOLVED :

THAT under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, namely minute number 26, on the grounds that there was likely to be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

26. **Report of the Head of Planning and Regulatory Services**

To Determine an Application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence

The Sub Committee was advised that an application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence had been received. However, due to the nature and dates of the applicant's previous caution and convictions, it

was deemed appropriate that the application be determined by the Sub Committee.

The applicant outlined the reasons for the application and expanded on the matters that had given rise to his caution and convictions. Members then asked questions of the applicant.

The Sub Committee adjourned to private session.

Upon reconvening the Sub Committee, having considered the report of the licensing section, written and oral evidence from the applicant, and having regard to Part II Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and the Isle of Wight Council Policy relating to the relevance of convictions dated February 2007, it was

**RESOLVED :**

THAT the applicant be granted a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence for a period of 12 months.

**Reasons:** Members considered that the applicant had reformed, and noted that the applicant was routinely driving school runs and airport runs. Members noted the references provided from the employer and the Probation Service Officer as well as the previous magistrates' comments during the last appeal. In summary, members were satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person as required by s59 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

In reaching the above decision, the Sub Committee had regard to the Human Rights Act 1998, and in particular Article 1 of the First Protocol, Article 8 and Article 6.

CHAIRMAN