

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE (NON LICENSING ACT 2003 FUNCTIONS)

3.00PM 3 MARCH 2016

THE MAIN HALL - FRIEND'S MEETING HOUSE

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Marsh (Chair), Horan (Deputy Chair), Cobb (Opposition Spokesperson), Deane (Group Spokesperson), Allen, Bell, Inkpin-Leissner, Lewry, Moonan, O'Quinn, Page, Simson, G Theobald, Wares and West

PART ONE

19 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

19a Declaration of Substitutes

19.1 Councillor Inkpin-Leissner declared that he was substituting for Councillor Gilbey.

19b Declarations of Interest

19.2 There were none.

19c Exclusion of the Press and Public

19.3 In accordance with section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 ('the Act'), the Committee considered whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during an item of business on the grounds that it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press or public were present during that item, there would be disclosure to them of confidential information (as defined in section 100A(3) of the Act) or exempt information (as defined in section 100I of the Act).

19.4 **RESOLVED** - That the press and public be not excluded from the meeting during consideration of any item on the agenda

20 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

20.1 **RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the Licensing Committee (Non Licensing Act 2003 Functions) Meeting held on 19 November 2015 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

21 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

21.1 The Chair explained that since the last meeting of the Committee:

Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Vehicles

Suspensions & Revocations

3 Driver's had their driver licences revoked for non-payment of the licence fee.

1 Driver had their licence revoked for allegations of historic child sexual abuse.

1 Driver had received a formal warning for refusing to carry an assistance dog.

1 licence was refused due to a conviction for battery.

The Council had lost an appeal in the courts against the revocation of a drivers licence. The driver had knocked down a cyclist and driven off without stopping. Details in respect of this incident had been circulated to Members separately, this was particularly regrettable as the judge's decision appeared to fly in the face of the criminal conviction.

21.2 In answer to questions by Councillor it was explained that it was necessary the minutes of the previous meeting to be agreed at the subsequent meeting, these could not however be agreed by the Licensing Committee (Non Licensing Act 2003 Functions). Councillor Simson noted the position and requested that in future any business relevant to this Committee be provided to it, on this occasion information which related to non-licensing matters had been included in the Annual report which had been provided to the Licensing Committee.

21.3 **RESOLVED** – That the content of the Chair's Communication be noted.

22 CALLOVER

22.1 **RESOLVED** – There were no items to be considered.

23 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

23a Petitions

23.1 There were none.

23b Written Questions

23.2 There were none.

23c Deputations

23.3 There were none.

24 MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

24a Petitions

24.1 There were none.

24b Written Questions

24.2 There were none.

24c Letters

24.3 There were none.

24d Notices of Motion

24.4 There were none.

25 ITEMS TO GO FORWARD TO COUNCIL

25.1 There were none.

The meeting concluded at 3.10pm

Signed

Chairman

Dated this

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