

**LICENSING BOARD  
11th December, 2013**

Present:- Councillor Wootton (in the Chair); The Mayor (Councillor Foden); Councillors Andrews, Buckley, Dalton, Dodson, Falvey, Goulty, J. Hamilton, N. Hamilton, Havenhand, McNeely, P. A. Russell and Swift.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Barron, Read and Sangster.

**Q44.       DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor J. Hamilton and Councillor N. Hamilton declared their personal interests in item 46 (Proprietors Request for Individual Exemption to Licensed Vehicle Conditions), as the applicant is known to them; both Councillors left the meeting and took no part in the consideration of that item, nor in the decision-making process.

**Q45.       MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 13TH NOVEMBER, 2013**

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Licensing Board held on Wednesday 13th November, 2013, were considered.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

**Q46.       PROPRIETORS REQUEST FOR INDIVIDUAL EXEMPTION TO LICENSED VEHICLE CONDITIONS - DISPLAY OF PLATE/LICENCE SIGNAGE**

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Licensing Manager concerning a request from the owner/proprietor of private hire vehicle "V50 SET Mercedes Viano" for permission not to display the required licence identification plate on the vehicle. Members noted that permission not to display the identification plate would constitute an exemption to Section 75(3) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.

The owner of the operating company and the private hire vehicle, Mr. D.C., attended the meeting and answered questions from Members of the Licensing Board.

Resolved:- That an exemption from the requirement to display the vehicle licence identification plate be permitted, exceptionally, in respect of vehicle "V50 SET", in the circumstances now reported.

(Councillor J. Hamilton and Councillor N. Hamilton declared their personal interests in the above item, as the applicant is known to them; both Councillors left the meeting and took no part in the consideration of this item, nor in the decision-making process)

**Q47. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved:- That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Police Act 1997 and Paragraphs 3 and 7 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (business affairs and prevention of crime).

**Q48. APPLICATIONS FOR THE GRANT/RENEWAL/REVIEW OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS' LICENCES**

The Licensing Board considered a report presented by the Licensing Manager relating to applications for the grant, renewal and review of hackney carriage / private hire drivers' licences in respect of Messrs. S.A.B., A.K., C.S.W., M.M., A.AI., L.K., J.K.A., A.Ah., K.S.Q. and S.N.

Messrs. S.A.B., A.K., C.S.W., M.M., A.AI., L.K., J.K.A., A.Ah., K.S.Q. and S.N. all attended the meeting and were interviewed by the Board.

Prior to consideration of the report and case concerning Mr. S.A.B., Members agreed to disregard (i) item 1 of the interview summary of and (ii) the discussion of points 2 and 3 regarding the restaurant.

Resolved:- (1) That a final written warning be issued to Mr. S.A.B., which shall be in place for a period of twelve months and he be warned as to his future conduct.

(2) That the hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence in respect of Mr. A.K. be revoked.

(3) That the hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence in respect of Mr. C.S.W. be renewed for a period of three years and he be issued with a written warning as to his future conduct.

(4) That a final written warning as to his future conduct be issued to Mr. M.M.

(5) That, further to Minute No. 20 of the meeting of the Licensing Board held on 14th August, 2013 the hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence in respect of Mr. A.AI. be renewed for a period of twelve months.

(6) That a hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence be granted in respect of Mr. L.K. for a period of twelve months.

(7) That, further to Minute No. Q42(2) of the meeting of the Licensing Board held on 13th November, 2013, the application for the grant of a hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence in respect of J.K.A. be refused.

(8) That the application for the grant of a hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence in respect of Mr. A.Ah. be approved and he be granted a licence for three years.

(9) That, further to Minute No. 39 of the meeting of the Licensing Board held on 12th December, 2012, a hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence be granted in respect of Mr. K.S.Q. for a period of twelve months and he be issued with a warning as to his future conduct.

(10) That, further to Minute No. 12(3) of the meeting of the Licensing Board held on 14th July, 2010, the application for the grant of a hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence in respect of Mr. S.N. be approved and he be granted a licence for three years.

(11) That consideration of the application for the grant of a hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence in respect of S.A.M. be deferred until the next meeting of the Licensing Board.