LICENSING PANEL

Friday, 8 October 2010

Present: Councillor S Taylor (Chair)

Councillors WJ Davies S Niblock

J Salter R Wilkins

<u>Deputies</u> Councillors Wendy Clements (for Councillor Tom Anderson)

Gerry Ellis (for Councillor Kate Wood)

69 MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to consider whether they had any personal or prejudicial interests in connection with any of the items on the agenda and if so, to declare them and state what they were.

No such declarations were made.

70 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Resolved - That Councillor Sue Taylor be appointed Chair for this meeting.

71 OVER-AGE VEHICLE - PEUGEOT 406, REGISTRATION NUMBER OU02 USH

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management reported upon an application received to re-licence a Peugeot 406, registration number OU02 USH, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had already been re-licensed for a further six months under delegated powers on 7 April 2010. It had been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 4 April 2005 and had passed the compliance test necessary for a licence to be issued.

The owner of the vehicle was present at the meeting with his vehicle which members of the Panel inspected.

<u>Resolved</u> - That the application to re-licence the Peugeot 406, registration number OU02 USH be granted for a further six months due to the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

72 OVER-AGE VEHICLE - RENAULT LAGUNA, REGISTRATION NUMBER DG02 DDE

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management reported upon an application received to re-licence a Renault Laguna, registration number DG02 DDE, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had already been re-licensed for a further six months under delegated powers on 26 March 2010.

It had been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 27 March 2007 and had passed the compliance test necessary for a licence to be issued.

The owner of the vehicle was present at the meeting with his vehicle which members of the Panel inspected.

<u>Resolved</u> - That the application to re-licence the Renault Laguna, registration number DG02 DDE be granted for a further six months due to the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

73 OVER-AGE VEHICLE - PEUGEOT 406, REGISTRATION NUMBER Y805 OBU

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management reported upon an application received to re-licence a Peugeot 406, registration number Y805 OBU, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had already been re-licensed for a further six months under delegated powers on 12 April 2009 and upon expiry of that licence on 12 October 2009 the Licensing Panel granted a further six month licence and subsequently another further six month licence was granted on 20 April 2010. It had been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 13 October 2006 and had passed the compliance test necessary for a licence to be issued.

The owner of the vehicle was present at the meeting with his vehicle which members of the Panel inspected.

<u>Resolved</u> - That the application to re-licence the Peugeot 406, registration number Y805 OBU be granted for a further six months due to the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

74 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR - PART 1 - STREET COLLECTION

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management reported upon a request by Dave Roberts on behalf of Help for Heroes for a street collection on Tuesday 9 November.

<u>Resolved</u> - That the request for a street collection be granted.

75 **EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved - That, under section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by the relevant paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The Public Interest test had been applied and favoured exclusion.

76 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - CONVICTION INCURRED (GTB)

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management reported upon an application received by Mr GTB to consider whether he be allowed to continue to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr GTB attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his convictions.

<u>Resolved</u> - That Mr GTB be allowed to continue to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence with a warning as to his future conduct.

77 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION (PL)

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management reported upon an application received by Mr PL for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr PL did not attend the meeting.

<u>Resolved</u> - That Mr PL be instructed to attend a future meeting of this Panel should he wish to pursue his application.

78 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION (RJS)

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management reported upon an application received by Mr RJS for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr RJS attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his cautions.

<u>Resolved</u> - That Mr RJS's application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence be approved.

79 HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCE - ABUSIVE BEHAVIOUR TOWARDS A COUNCIL OFFICER (IR)

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management reported that the applicant had made a request to adjourn this application to a future meeting of the Licensing Panel so that he could be represented.