

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

COUNCIL CHAMBER, WYRE FOREST HOUSE, FINEPOINT WAY, KIDDERMINSTER

5 JUNE 2023 (10.30AM)

Present:

Councillors: P Harrison (Chairman), K Henderson (Vice-Chairman), J Aston, J F Byng, P Dyke, I Hardiman, M McDonnell, S Miah, M Rayner and C Rogers.

Observers:

There were no members present as observers.

LIC.01 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: K Gale and A Sutton.

LIC.02 Appointment of Substitutes

No substitutes were appointed.

LIC.03 Declaration of Interests

No declarations of interest were made.

LIC.04 Minutes

Decision: The minutes of the meeting held on 6 February 2023 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

LIC.05 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Decision: Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 the press and 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 in paragraphs 7 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

LIC.06 Review of a Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver's Licence

The Chairman explained that as the legal representative for both this licence holder, and the licence holder being considered under Item 8 of the agenda, was not able to attend the meeting due to being engaged in court, both cases would need to be deferred for consideration at the next available meeting.

Members of the committee asked questions and considered if there were any

other options available to them except for deferment in the present circumstances, but, following advice from the Solicitor regarding the necessity to abide by the laws of natural justice, the matter was deferred to the next cycle.

LIC.07 Review of a Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver's Licence

Based on the discussion under Item 7 of the agenda regarding the unavailability of the legal representative, this matter was also deferred until the next cycle.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 10.43am.