LICENSING AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ENFORCEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE AGENDA



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TUESDAY 22 AUGUST 2023 AT 7.30 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE FORUM

The Councillors listed below are requested to attend the above meeting, on the day and at the time and place stated, to consider the business set out in this agenda.

Membership

Councillor Link (Vice-Chair, in the Chair) Councillor Bhinder Councillor Johnson Councillor Pesch Councillor Deacon

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AGENDA

1. MINUTES (Pages 3 - 8)

To confirm the minutes from the previous meeting

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest

A member with a disclosable pecuniary interest or a personal interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered -

(i) must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent

and, if the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest, or a personal interest which is also prejudicial

(ii) may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter (and must withdraw to the public seating area) unless they have been granted a dispensation.

A member who discloses at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary interest which is not registered in the Members' Register of Interests, or is not the subject of a pending notification, must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the disclosure.

Disclosable pecuniary interests, personal and prejudicial interests are defined in Part 2 of the Code of Conduct For Members

[If a member is in any doubt as to whether they have an interest which should be declared they should seek the advice of the Monitoring Officer before the start of the meeting]

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

An opportunity for members of the public to make statements or ask questions in accordance with the rules as to public participation

5. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

To consider passing a resolution in the following terms:

That, under s.100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 Schedule 12A Part 1, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, the public be excluded during the item in Part II of the Agenda for the meeting, because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that if members of the public were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to an individual which would be likely to reveal their identity (item 6).

6. REPORT OF DANGEROUS DRIVING BY HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER (Pages 9 - 27)

7. **PROCEDURE FOR THE SUB-COMMITTEE** (Page 28)

Agenda Item 1

DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ENFORCEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

28 MARCH 2023

Present-

MEMBERS:

Councillors Hearn (Chairman), Bassadone, Link, Pringle and Sutton

OFFICERS:

Nargis Sultan	Legal Governance Team Leader
Phil Wortley	Licensing Team Leader
Phil Nolan	Licensing Enforcement Officer
Kim Knight	Licensing Compliance and Technical Officer
Trudi Angel	Corporate and Democratic Support Officer (Minutes)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Driver (Item 6) Driver's Representative (Item 6)

The meeting began at 8.02 pm.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2023 were agreed by the members present and then signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Bhinder.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations on interest.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

5. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to move to Part II of the meeting and to exclude the public.

Resolved:

That, under S.100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded during the items in Part II of the Agenda for this meeting, because it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that if members of the public were present during those items there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to an individual which is likely to reveal their identity (Item 6).

6. REPORT OF DANGEROUS DRIVING BY HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER

Full details can be found in the Part 2 Minutes.

The meeting ended at 8.56 pm.

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By virtue of paragraph(s) 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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Agenda Item 7

PROCEDURE FOR THE LICENSING AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ENFORCEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE (PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGES)

- 1. The Chairman will open the proceedings by stating the nature of the matter, which is to be considered, (first application/renewal/suspension/revocation), whether the proceedings concern a vehicle, driver or operator licence, and the name of the applicant or licence holder.
- 2. The Chairman will introduce himself/herself and the Members of the Committee, the Clerk to the Committee and any other officer present.
- 3. The Chairman will ask the officers to confirm whether or not the formal requirements in respect of the matter to be considered have been complied with. In the case of a proposed suspension or revocation of licence or a refusal to renew, the Chairman will ask the officers to confirm whether or not the requisite prior notice has been served on the licence holder.
- 4. If satisfied as to the formal requirements the Committee will consider the merits of the application or proposed suspension/revocation and the report of the officers. The Committee may ask the officers for clarification of any points in issue.
- 5. The Chairman will then invite the applicant or licence holder to make any representations. The applicant or licence holder may make his/her representations personally or through a representative, who shall first identify him/herself.
- 6. The Chairman and other members of the Committee may ask the applicant or licence holder questions and points of clarification.
- 7. The applicant or licence holder, his/her representative (if any) and any officer present (with the exception of the Clerk to the Committee) shall withdraw.
- 8. The members of the Committee consider their decision. If any further clarification or information is required from the applicant or licence holder or any officer, all parties will be recalled.
- 9. All parties will be recalled for the announcement by the Chairman of the Committee's decision.
- 10. The Committee's decision will be confirmed in writing by the Solicitor to the Council.
- 11. At any point in this procedure, the Committee may pass a resolution excluding the press and public from the meeting on the basis that, if they were to remain, there may be disclosure of exempt information (information relating to individuals which is likely to reveal their identities).