

## TAXIS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2004 at 6.00 pm

### PRESENT:-

Councillor Male (in the Chair)  
Councillors Mrs Ameson, Mrs Aston, Mrs Bowkley, Bramall, Crumpton,  
Mrs Faulkner, Johnson and Musk, together with the Director of Law and  
Property and Miss Stephens (Directorate of Law and Property).

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### MINUTES

#### RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup>  
January 2004, be approved as a correct record and signed.

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### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Member made a declaration of interest in accordance with the  
Members' Code of Conduct.

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### TO REPORT THE APPOINTMENT OF ANY SUBSTITUTES FOR THIS MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

It was reported that Councillor Davis had been appointed to serve as a  
substitute for Councillor Bramall for this meeting of the Committee only.

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### REVISION OF LICENCE FEES

A joint report of the Director of Law and Property and the Director of  
Finance was submitted on the revision of fees for private hire and  
hackney carriage licences administered by the Committee.

Following lengthy discussion it was

#### RESOLVED

That following careful consideration of the information submitted,  
fees for private hire and hackney carriage licences administered  
by the Committee be increased by inflation plus 2%, as set out in  
paragraph 4.1.3 Option 3 of the report submitted.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

## RESOLVED

That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in Schedule 12A to the Act, in particular that paragraph of Part I of that schedule indicated below: -

<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant Paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A</u>
Review of Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr SM	4
Review of Private Hire/Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr MS	4
Renewal of Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr MZ	4
Grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr QH	4
Review of Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr WA	4
Review of a Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr KA	4
Renewal of Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr A	4

REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE – MR SM

A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on a review of the private hire driver's licence issued to Mr SM in the light of the offence for which he had been convicted, as indicated in paragraph 2.2 of the report submitted.

Mr SH was in attendance at the meeting and responded to questions asked by the Committee, regarding the offence for which he had been convicted.

RESOLVED

That, Mr SM receive a strong written warning as to his future conduct.

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REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE/HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE – MR MS

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A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on a review of the private hire driver's licence issued to Mr MS in the light of the offence for which he had been convicted, as indicated in paragraph 2.4 of the report submitted.

Mr MS was in attendance at the meeting and responded to questions asked by the Committee, regarding the offence for which he had been convicted.

RESOLVED

That, Mr MS receive a strong written warning as to his future conduct.

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RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE – MR MZ

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A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on the renewal of the hackney carriage and private hire driver's licence issued to Mr MZ.

Mr MZ was in attendance at the meeting and responded to questions asked by the Committee.

RESOLVED

That approval be given to the renewal of the hackney carriage and private hire driver's licences issued to Mr MZ for a period of six months with effect from the date of the Committee.

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GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE – MR QH

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A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on an application made by Mr QH for the grant of a private hire driver's licence.

Mr QH was in attendance at the meeting and responded to questions asked by the Committee.

RESOLVED

That, following careful consideration of the information contained in the report submitted, approval be given to the grant of a private hire driver's licence to Mr QH for a period of three months from the date of this meeting pending the receipt of a satisfactory second reference.

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REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE – MR WA

A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on a review of the private hire driver's licence issued to Mr WA in the light of the offence for which he had been convicted, as indicated in paragraph 2.4 of the report submitted.

Mr WA was in attendance at the meeting and responded to questions asked by the Committee, regarding the offence for which he had been convicted.

RESOLVED

That Mr WA received a strong written warning as to his future conduct.

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REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE – MR KA

A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on a review of the private hire driver's licence issued to Mr KA in the light of the offence for which he had been convicted, as indicated in paragraph 2.3 of the report submitted.

Mr KA was in attendance at the meeting and responded to questions asked by the Committee, regarding the offence for which he had been convicted.

RESOLVED

That, having considered the information contained in the report submitted and the representations made at the meeting, Mr KA private hire driver's licence be suspended for a period of two months.

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RENEWAL OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE – MR A

A report of the Director of Law and Property was submitted on the renewal of the private hire driver's licence issued to Mr A in the light of the offence for which he had been convicted as indicated in paragraph 2.3 of the report submitted.

Mr A was in attendance at the meeting and requested that due to the absence of his solicitor, the application be deferred.

RESOLVED

That, in view of the non-attendance of Mr A's solicitor, consideration of this matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 7.50 pm.

CHAIR

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