



Walsall Council

LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 4 MARCH, 2009 AT 6.00 P.M.

In a Conference Room at the Council House, Walsall

MEMBERSHIP:

Councillor Sears (Chairman)
Councillor Aftab
Councillor Anson
Councillor Barton
Councillor Beeley
Councillor Bird
Councillor Clarke
Councillor P. Hughes
Councillor Johnson
Councillor Rochelle
Councillor Sarohi
Councillor Smith
Councillor Tweddle
Councillor Wilkes

QUORUM:

Five Members

A G E N D A

PART I - PUBLIC SESSION

1. Apologies.
- ... 2. Minutes – 3 December, 2008 - Copy **enclosed**.
3. Declarations of Interest.
4. **Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 (as amended):**

To agree that the public be excluded from the private session during consideration of the agenda items indicated for the reasons shown on the agenda.
- ... 5. Amendment to hackney carriage and private hire conditions of licence in exceptional circumstances – Resolution from Taxi/Private Hire Liaison Group from its meeting held on 4 February, 2009:-

Resolved

- (1) That the report be noted;
- (2) That the following amendment to the private hire and Hackney carriage conditions of licence be referred to the Licensing and Safety Committee for approval:-

“Exceptional circumstances (set aside or amend standard conditions in particular cases without full amendment of conditions).

On a case by case basis and only in exceptional circumstances the Committee may resolve to set aside or amend the private hire and hackney carriage standard conditions where it is appropriate to do so. In any given case, it will be appropriate to set aside or amend the standard conditions only in exceptional circumstances where to impose the standard conditions will lead to a result which the Committee considers wholly unjust and wholly unfair in the circumstances of the particular case falling for consideration.

The setting aside or amendment of the condition will be specific to that case alone. The standard conditions will otherwise remain in place subject to the Committee’s discretion to amend them in the usual manner.”

- Report of the Head of Public Protection **enclosed**.

- ... 6. Amendment of hackney carriage and private hire vehicle licence fees for vehicles over three years of age – Resolution from Taxi/Private Hire Liaison Group from its meeting held on 4 February, 2009:-

Resolved

- (1) That the report be noted;
- (2) That Licensing and Safety Committee be recommended to approve a fee of £215 per annum for an annual vehicle licence for private hire and hackney carriage vehicles that are over 3 years of age.

- Report of the Head of Public Protection **enclosed**.

PART II - PRIVATE SESSION

- ... 7. Expiry of Hackney Carriage Proprietor Licences – N 239 BSC – Report of the Head of Public Protection **enclosed**.

(Exempt information under Paragraph and of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972) (as amended)

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