

Licensing and Regulatory Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7 April 2015, at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 4.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Illingworth (Chairman); Councillors Mrs Gallagher, Gill, Mrs Higgins, Mrs Knight, Wilkinson and Wreford-Bush.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Grainger and Guest.

43. **Substitutes**

There were no substitutes.

44. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

45. **Minutes**

The minutes of the Licensing & Regulatory Committee held on 16 December 2014, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

46. **Record of Licensing & Regulatory Panels**

The minutes of the Licensing & Regulatory Panel Hearings held on 27 November 2014, 17 December 2014, 30 December 2014 and 12 February 2015, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

47. **Public and Press**

Resolved that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 that the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting for the following item by reason of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the paragraph 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

48. **Record of Licensing & Regulatory Panel Hearings**

The minutes of the Licensing & Regulatory Panel Hearing held on 12 February 2015, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

49. **Disability Awareness Course**

The Committee received a briefing and training sessions from the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association which provided an overview of the training course they provided to Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Drivers on behalf of this Council.

The Committee were pleased with the training course and felt it was essential for the new members to attend. They also asked officers to investigate the potential for the Licensing & Regulatory Committee to attend the full disability awareness training to enable them to appreciate the benefits of this to all parties.

The representatives from the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association were thanked for attending and providing the course.

(The meeting ended at 3.40pm)