Appeals Committee – 11 December 2006

Minutes of the meeting of the **Appeals Committee** held on **11 December 2006** when there were present:-

Chairman: Cllr T Livings Vice-Chairman: Cllr J E Grey

Cllr K H Hudson Cllr Mrs C A Weston Cllr R A Oatham Cllr Mrs B J Wilkins

OFFICERS PRESENT

A Bugeja - Head of Legal Services
J Crawford - Transportation Manager
J Read - Hackney Carriage Officer
S Worthington - Committee Administrator

436 PROCEDURAL NOTE

The Committee noted the procedure to be followed in hearing the review.

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining business on the grounds that exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed.

437 HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE LICENCE

The Committee considered the exempt report of the Head of Planning and Transportation relating to a breach of a condition of a hackney carriage vehicle licence in respect of a failure by a driver to provide proof of continuous insurance cover for his vehicle.

Whilst the Committee was prepared to accept that there were mitigating circumstances that resulted in the driver's failure to comply with the licensing conditions, it nevertheless considered that, as an experienced licensee, the driver had adopted a careless approach to his responsibilities. It viewed the driver's failure to comply with the licensing conditions in a very serious light.

Taking into account the driver's previous good record and the fact that the vehicle was not used while uninsured, the Committee was of the view that the driver's hackney carriage vehicle licence should be suspended for a period of one month and that the driver should be issued with a formal warning that any further breaches to the licensing conditions could result in revocation of this licence.

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Resolved

(1)	That the hackney carriage vehicle licence be suspended for one month.
(2)	That the driver be issued with a formal warning that any further breaches in the licensing conditions could result in the revocation of the hackney carriage vehicle licence. (HPT)
The meeting	g closed at 3.35 pm.

Chairman

Date