

## Appeals Committee – 4 October 2007

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Minutes of the meeting of the **Appeals Committee** held on **4 October 2007** when there were present:-

Chairman: Cllr J E Grey  
Vice-Chairman: Cllr Mrs C A Weston

Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn  
Cllr T Livings

Cllr R A Oatham  
Cllr Mrs B J Wilkins

### **OFFICERS PRESENT**

N Khan	- Solicitor
J Crawford	- Transportation Manager
J Read	- Hackney Carriage Officer
S Worthington	- Committee Administrator

### **329 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5 June 2007 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **330 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 item of business on the grounds that exempt information as disclosed in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed.

### **331 HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE LICENCE**

The Committee considered the exempt report of the Head of Planning and Transportation detailing breaches of the hackney carriage vehicle licence conditions in respect of a failure by a driver to provide proof of continuous insurance cover for his vehicle, to renew the hackney carriage vehicle licence plate by its expiry date and using the hackney carriage vehicle for hire and reward without a current hackney carriage vehicle licence and MOT licence.

During the course of the proceedings it came to light that the driver did hold a valid MOT certificate for the period specified in the report. Members accordingly excluded any issues relating to the MOT from their deliberations.

The Committee viewed the driver's failure to comply with the licensing conditions in a serious light and considered that he had behaved irresponsibly, particularly given his experience as a licensed taxi driver. However, given the driver's honesty in admitting to the breaches and the fact that he had not previously committed any offences or breaches of the licensing conditions, the Committee was of the view that the driver's hackney carriage vehicle licence should be suspended for a period of three months.

### **Resolved**

That the hackney carriage vehicle licence be suspended for three months.  
(HPT)

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and closed at 3.40 pm.

Chairman .....

Date .....

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