Minutes of the meeting of the **Appeals Committee** held on **8 December 2006** when there were present:-

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

Cllr K H Hudson Cllr R A Oatham Cllr Mrs C A Weston

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from 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

433 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2006 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

434 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.

435 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.

The Committee viewed the driver's failure to comply with the licensing conditions in a serious light, and considered that his actions had demonstrated that he was unfit to hold a hackney carriage vehicle licence. The Committee therefore considered that this licence should be revoked

forthwith. Taking into account the driver's previous good character and the efforts he had made to redress the personal difficulties that apparently gave rise to the offence, the Committee was of the view that, whilst he should be allowed to retain his hackney carriage driver's licence, this would be subject to a formal warning that any future repetition of this offence or failure to comply with any other licensing conditions would result in the revocation of this licence also.

Resolved

- (1) That the hackney carriage vehicle licence be revoked.
- (2) That the driver be issued with a formal warning that any future repetition of this offence or failure to comply with any other licensing conditions would result in the revocation of the hackney carriage driver's licence. (HPT)

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and closed at 3.20 pm.

Chairman

Date