

PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Monday, 4th August, 2014

Present:- Councillor Kyle Robinson – in the Chair

Councillors Bailey, Braithwaite, Matthews, Naylor, Miss Olszewski, Proctor, Miss Walklate, Williams and Mrs Williams

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest stated

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved:- That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 June, 2014 be agreed as a correct record.

3. DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION

Resolved: That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration if the following matter because it is likely that there will be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1,2, and 7 in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT - 1976 -MR MI

The Committee considered an application from Mr MI for the renewal of a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence.

The chair invited the applicant to address the Committee.

Resolved:- That the application be refused as the Committee felt that the reasons given by the applicant for failing to attend an arranged vehicle test date were not valid enough. In addition, the vehicle now fell outside of the Council's age policy.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT - 1976 - MR IM

The Committee considered an application from Mr IM for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

The chair invited the applicant to address the Committee.

Resolved: That the application be refused as the Committee could not be satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licence in view of the serious nature of the conviction disclosed.

6. OPEN REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

7. FOOD SAFETY SERVICE PLAN JULY 2014

Consideration was given to a report on the Food Safety Service Plan 2014/15 which stated the planned work of the Food and Safety Team for 2014/15 and are a review of last year's performance.

Members were informed that the report covered all types of food businesses.

Members commended the Head of Environmental Health and her team for the work that had gone into the report.

Resolved:- That the report be received and endorsed.

8. LOCAL AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT - PROGRESS REPORT 2014

Members considered a progress report on the Local Air Quality Management – regarding air quality in the Borough.

The report identified seven locations within two geographic areas which exceeded the statutory annual mean objective for nitrogen dioxide. The areas were Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove and Newcastle Town Centre ring road.

A further thirteen locations were at risk of exceeding the figures.

A detailed and further assessment of air quality in the exceedance locations was now required.

Resolved:- That the report be received.

COUNCILLOR KYLE ROBINSON
Chair