

GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULATORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, 7 June 2016

PRESENT: Councillor K Dodds (Chair)

Councillors: W Dick, C Bradley, B Oliphant, M Ord,
A Thompson, D Duggan and J Kielty

APOLOGIES: Councillors M Charlton, D Davidson, B Goldsworthy,
C McHatton, N Weatherley and R Mullen

RC61 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Charlton, D Davidson, B Goldsworthy, C McHatton, R Mullen and N Weatherley.

RC62 CONSTITUTION

RESOLVED - that the Constitution of the Committee and the appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair for the municipal year 2016/17 were noted

RC63 MINUTES

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the last meeting be approved as a correct record.

RC64 THE ROLE OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee received a presentation from Tim Briton outlining the role of the Committee.

RESOLVED - That the information be noted.

RC65 MAKING DECISIONS IN REGULATORY COMMITTEE

The Committee received a presentation by Tim Briton, on making decisions in Regulatory Committee.

RESOLVED - that the information be noted.

RC66 GATESHEAD INTERNATIONAL STADIUM: SPECIAL SAFETY CERTIFICATE

The Committee received a report seeking authorisation for a Special Safety Certificate No. 14 for the Nitro Circus event at Gateshead International Stadium.

RESOLVED -

- i) the Committee agreed not to authorise the Service Director for Development, Public Protection & Transport to issue a Special Safety Certificate in respect of Gateshead International Stadium; and
- ii) the Committee agreed to authorise the Chair and Vice Chair to issue a Special Safety Certificate in respect of Gateshead International Stadium following satisfactory consultation with the Service Directors of Development, Public Protection & Transport and Culture, Communities, Leisure and Volunteering on the terms of the proposed Certificate once complete and accurate.

RC67 APPLICATION FOR APPROVED PREMISES STATUS - SHIPLEY ART GALLERY

The Committee received an application for approved premises status for the Shipley Art Gallery as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and registration of civil partnerships.

The premises have been inspected by the representative of the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance and reviewed by the Service Director, Development and Public Protection. The premises satisfy the requirement to be a seemly and dignified venue for the proceedings in accordance with the Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Approved Premises) Regulations 2005. There were no objections to the application.

RESOLVED - that the application be approved.

RC68 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED - that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the remaining business in accordance with the indicated paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

RC69

HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING ISSUES (PARAGRAPH 7)

RESOLVED

- i) the Committee agreed to grant the applicant (RC/10/16) a Private Hire Driver licence
- ii) that such licence shall be for the duration of one year
- iii) that the following condition be added to the applicant's licence
"on each of the following dates the licensee shall submit to the Council's Licensing Section his certificate(s) of insurance for use of vehicle(s) for private hire for the specified periods and confirmation of any dates during each period that the applicant did not hold private hire insurance for; and that should the licensee fail to comply with this condition his licence shall be suspended with immediate effect until such time as the applicant provides the said certificate(s)-
6 September 2016 – for the period 7 June 2016 to 6 September 2016
6 December 2016 – for the period 7 September 2016 to 6 December 2016
6 March 2017 – for the period 7 December 2016 to 6 March 2017
6 June 2017 – for the period 7 March 2016 to 6 June 2017
- iv) that the applicant shall be reminded to the terms of his licence and the expectation placed upon him as a licensee; and given a strict warning as to his future conduct
- v) the Committee agreed to suspend the applicants (RC/11/16) Dual Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver licence with immediate effect
- vi) that the suspension of the applicant's licence may be lifted upon his satisfactory completion of a driver assessment and correction course, as set out below:-
- vii) that a condition be added to the applicant's Private Hire Driver licence requiring as follows-
"on or within the calendar month immediately preceding the anniversary of the grant of his current licence, the licensee shall submit to the Council's Licensing Section a current enhanced DBS certificate which he is to obtain at his expense; and that should the licensee fail to comply with this condition his license shall be suspended with immediate effect until such a time he provides the said certificate"; and
- viii) that the applicant shall be reminded to the terms of

his licence and the expectation placed upon him as a licensee; and given a strict warning as to his future conduct including that he will be subject to increased frequency of compliance checks.

Chair.....