

Medway Council
**LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE OF LICENSING &
SAFETY COMMITTEE**

15 January 2010
9:30 am to 10:00 am

RECORD OF THE MEETING

PRESENT:

Committee members: Councillors Andrews, Burt, Mrs Diane Chambers (Chairman), Mrs Etheridge, Mrs Haydock, Stephen Kearney

Substitute members: Councillor Gilry (for Councillor Harriott)

In attendance: Mandy Francis, Senior Licensing and Enforcement Officer
Alison Poulson, Business Development and Licensing Manager
Colin Sacre, Senior Legal Assistant
Ellen Wright, Committee Co-ordinator

526 RECORD OF THE MEETING

The record of the meeting held on 24 April 2009 was agreed and signed by the Chairman as correct.

527 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Harriott.

528 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

529 AGREED PROCEDURE FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENCE MATTERS

The Sub-Committee noted the agreed procedure for considering hackney carriage and private hire matters.

530 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Sub-Committee agreed to ask the press and public to leave the meeting because the following item contained sensitive information relating to an individual and was considered exempt under paragraph 7 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

531 APPEAL AGAINST REVOCATION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE

Discussion:

The Senior Licensing and Enforcement Officer asked the Sub-Committee to determine an appeal against the decision of the Licensing Unit to revoke the hackney carriage driver licence held by Mr W.

The Senior Licensing and Enforcement Officer referred to a revised schedule of driving offences circulated prior to the meeting advising that Mr W had received a fine of £130 for using a mobile phone whilst driving in July 2009 and confirming that in respect of the conviction in August 2009, this had been corrected to refer to an offence relating to exceeding the statutory speed limit on an motorway rather than a public road.

The Sub-Committee considered the case taking into account all written representations and those made at the hearing by Mr W and the Senior Licensing and Enforcement Officer.

Decision:

Mr W was advised that due to Mr W's record of offences, the Sub-Committee had dismissed his appeal and confirmed the Senior Licensing and Enforcement Officer's decision to revoke Mr W's Hackney Carriage Driver Licence. Mr W was advised that he has the right of appeal to the Magistrate Court against this decision.

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Chairman

Date

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