

## EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Committee:** Licensing Sub-Committee                      **Date:** 3 September 2019  
**Place:** Council Chamber - Civic Offices                      **Time:** 11.00 am - 12.00 pm  
**Members Present:** S Neville (Chairman), A Lion and P Stalker  
**Other Councillors:** None  
**Apologies:** B Rolfe  
**Officers Present:** R Ferreira (Assistant Solicitor), D Houghton (Licensing Compliance Officer) and J Leither (Democratic Services Officer)

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### 16. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made pursuant to the Member's Code of Conduct.

### 17. PROCEDURE FOR THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

The Sub-Committee noted and agreed the procedure for the conduct of business.

### 18. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

#### RESOLVED:

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press should be excluded from the meeting for the item of business set out below on the grounds that it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended) or were confidential under Section 100(A)(2):

| Agenda Item No | Subject   | Exempt Information Paragraph Number |
|----------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 5              | Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 & Town & Police Clauses Act 1847 Application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence – Mr Lee Pascovitch | 1                                   |

### 19. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 & TOWN & POLICE CLAUSES ACT 1847 - APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR LEE PASCOVITCH

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence from Mr L Pascovitch. The three Councillors that presided over this item were Councillors and Mr S Neville (Chairman), A Lion and P Stalker. Members noted that

officers did not have delegated authority to determine this and, as a result, the application had to be considered by the Sub-Committee.

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant and Mr P Nelson from Sadlers Taxis and introduced the Members and Officers present. The Licensing Compliance Officer informed the Sub-Committee of the circumstances under which the Licence could not be dealt with under delegated authority.

The Applicant made a short statement in support of his application before answering a number of questions from Members of the Sub-Committee. The Chairman requested that everyone, except the Licensing Sub-Committee members and advising officers left the Chamber whilst they considered the application.

The Chairman invited the Applicant and Licensing Officer back into the Chamber and informed the Applicant of the Sub-Committee's decision.

The Chairman advised that during their deliberations in private session they had received no advice from officers whilst determining the application.

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That as the Sub-Committee recognised the effort and commitment of Mr Nelson to employ Mr Pascovitch at Sadlers Taxis and to limit his working hours, the application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence be granted for a period of three years, as the Sub-Committee were satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a driver's licence; and
- (2) That if a reoccurrence of any driving offences occurred, the Licensing Sub-Committee would take a serious view of any further transgressions.

**CHAIRMAN**