

Licensing Committee

Tuesday, 7 July 2020

PRESENT: Councillor E.G. Thomas (Chair)

Councillors:

J.M. Charles, C.A. Davies, P.M. Edwards, W.T. Evans, A.L. Fox, H.I. Jones, A.S.J. McPherson, J.E. Williams and D.E. Williams

Also in attendance:

D. Bizby, Dyfed Powys Police Authority Representative

The following Officers were in attendance:

R. Edgecombe, Legal Services Manager

J. Power, Senior Licensing Officer

E. Jones, Licensing Lead

R. Edmunds, Consumer and Business Affairs Manager

E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - 10.00 am - 10.50 am

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S. Phillips, J.K Howell and T.J. Jones.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS.

There were no declarations of personal interests.

3. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SIT ON LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES FOR THE 2020-21 MUNICIPAL YEAR

The Committee considered a report on the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 detailing the proposed composition of Licensing Sub Committees "A" and "B" for 2020/21 Municipal Year.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the composition of Licensing Sub Committees "A" and "B" for the 2020/21 Municipal Year be as follows:

Licensing Sub Committee "A"

Councillors Fozia Akhtar, Mansel Charles, Ann Davies, Amanda Fox, Ken Howell, Jim Jones and Elwyn Williams.

Licensing Sub Committee "B"

Councillors Penny Edwards, Tyssul Evans, Irfon Jones, Andre McPherson, Susan Phillips, Edward Thomas and Eirwyn Williams.

4. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES FOR THE 2020-21 MUNICIPAL YEAR

The Committee considered nominations for Chairs of the Licensing Sub Committees for the 20120/21 Municipal Year.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

4.1 That Councillor M. Charles be appointed Chair of the Licensing Sub Committee "A" for the 2020/21 Municipal Year.

4.2 That Councillor H.I. Jones be appointed Chair of the Licensing Sub Committee "B" for the 2020/21 Municipal Year.

5. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 24TH FEBRUARY, 2020

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on the 24th February, 2020 be signed as a correct record.

6. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED, pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items as the reports contained exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

7. MR JONATHAN THOMAS JONES - APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE

The Committee considered an application from Mr Jonathan Thomas Jones of 44 Glanella Road, Llanelli for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Jones with regard to his application.

The Senior Licensing Officer advised that he had received several items of correspondence providing character references for Mr Jones. He recommended that Mr Jones's application be refused.

The Committee thereupon:

RESOLVED to retire into private session in order to receive legal advice pursuant to Paragraph 16 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the application submitted by Mr Jonathan Thomas Jones for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be granted with a warning as to his future conduct.

Reason

On the evidence presented the Committee was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

CHAIR

DATE