

# STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL

## GENERAL PURPOSES MINUTES

**Date: Thursday 31 July 2008**

**Time: 10.00 a.m.**

**Place: Autun Room, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage**

**Present:** P.D. Kissane (Chair), C. Latif (Vice Chair),  
John Lloyd, CC, and Brian Underwood

Agenda Item:

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**In Attendance:** Emma Rose, Head of Environmental Health  
and Licensing, Heather Morris, Licensing  
Manager, Bob Cox, Licensing Officer,  
Prabhjit Sobti, Principal Solicitor and Lisa  
Jerome, Committee Clerk

**Start/End Time:** Start Time: 10.00 am  
End Time: 11.00 am

### **1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillor L Strange.

### **2 MINUTES - Tuesday 15 July, 2008**

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the General Purposes Committee held on Tuesday 15 July, having been circulated be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

### **3 PROCEDURE**

The procedure for the meeting was noted.

### **4 URGENT PART I BUSINESS**

None.

### **5 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

it was RESOLVED that under Section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1-7 of part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by S12006 No. 88.

### **6 REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE - MR F**

The Chair introduced the Members, the Principal Solicitor and Committee Clerk to

Mr. F.

The Committee considered the facts of the case, as presented by the Licensing Manager. The Committee was advised of possible courses of action available to them.

Mr. F. then presented his case to the Committee. The Members of the Committee asked a number of questions of Mr. F.

The Licensing Manager and Mr. F both made closing speeches, after which all parties except the Members, Legal Advisor and Committee Clerk withdrew from the meeting whilst the Committee considered the matters raised.

Following thorough consideration of the case by Members, Mr. F and the Licensing officers were invited back into the meeting to hear the Committee's decision.

It was RESOLVED that the Committee having considered the matter carefully and having heard evidence and arguments from both sides, found that it was reasonable to impose conditions on Mr F's Private Hire Driver's Licence for the reasons detailed in the Part II Decisions of this Committee.

## **7 URGENT PART II BUSINESS**

None