

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE SHADOW COUNCIL

At a meeting of the **REGULATION COMMITTEE** held at Council Chamber, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford on Wednesday, 6 May 2009.

PRESENT

Cllrs D Bowater
I Dalgarno
Mrs J R Davison
Ms A M W Graham

Cllrs T Green
H J Lockey
A A J Rogers
N Warren

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Mrs S Gilchrist
J H Lewis
K D Lynch
B J Spurr

Substitute: Cllr Mrs J G Lawrence (In place of Cllr J H Lewis)

Officers in Attendance: Miss H Bell – Democratic Services Officer
Mr A Fraser – Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing
Miss J Heinsen – Licensing Assistant
Mrs P Letting – Licensing Assistant
Mr M Woolsey – Principal Solicitor

REG/08/1 **Election of Chairman**

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman the Committee resolved to elect a Chairman for this meeting.

RESOLVED

that in the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Cllr T Green be elected Chairman of the Regulation Committee for this meeting only.

REG/08/2 **Minutes**

RESOLVED

- (i) that the minutes of the Licensing Committee held at South Bedfordshire District Council on 3 December 2008 be received and signed as a correct record.***
- (ii) that the minutes of the Regulation Committee held at Mid Bedfordshire District Council held on 4 March 2009 be received and signed as a correct record.***

REG/08/3 **Members' Interests**

(a) **Personal Interests:-**

None.

(b) **Personal and Prejudicial Interests:-**

None.

REG/08/4 **Public Participation**

No applications had been received in accordance with the Scheme of Public Participation set out in Paragraph I of the Scheme of the Public Participation set out in Annex I to Part 4 of the Constitution.

REG/08/5 **Exclusion of Press and Public**

The Committee resolved to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the consideration of the items of business would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

REG/08/6 **Application for Renewal of Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence**

The Committee received and considered the report of the Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing concerning an application for renewal of a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence in respect of Mr M Kamran of Luton.

Mr Kamran of Luton failed to attend the meeting.

A copy of the application form and supporting documents were attached as Appendix for Members information.

RESOLVED

1. ***that the Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence in respect of Mr Kamran of Luton be revoked on the grounds of public safety, speeding offences and failure to attend the meeting to present the case.***
2. ***that the applicant be informed in writing of his right to appeal against the decision to the Magistrates Court and that the appeal must be made within 21 days of written notification of this decision.***

REG/08/7 **Application for Grant of Private Hire Driver's Licence**

The Committee received and considered the report of the Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing concerning an application for grant of a Private Hire Drivers Licence in respect of Mr M Phillips of Potton.

A copy of the application form and supporting documents were attached as an appendix for Members information.

The applicant attended the meeting and made representations in support of the application.

In accordance with the procedures for hearings held in private, the applicant and Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing were asked to withdraw whilst the Committee made their decision. Following which all who had withdrawn were recalled to hear the decision.

RESOLVED

that the application for a new Private Hire Drivers Licence for Mr M Phillips of Potton be granted in this case, subject to the applicant being reminded of his responsibilities to comply with the conditions of the licence and that the Council has powers under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 to revoke the licence at any time and that any further convictions could seriously affect continuation or renewal of the licence.

REG/08/8 **Application for Renewal of Private Hire Driver's Licence**

The Committee received and considered the report of the Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing concerning an application for renewal of a Private Hire Drivers Licence in respect of Mr R G Constant of Biggleswade.

A copy of the application form and supporting documents were attached as an appendix for Members information.

The applicant attended the meeting and made representations in support of the application.

In accordance with the procedures for hearings held in private, the applicant, and Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing were asked to withdraw whilst the Committee made their decision. Following which all who had withdrawn were recalled to hear the decision.

RESOLVED

that the application for a new Private Hire Drivers Licence for Mr R G Constant of Biggleswade be granted in this case, subject to the applicant being reminded of his responsibilities to comply with the conditions of the licence and that the Council has powers under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 to revoke the licence at any time and that any further convictions could be viewed extremely seriously.

REG/08/9 **Application for Grant of Private Hire Driver's Licence**

The Committee received and considered the report of the Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing concerning an application for grant of a Private Hire Drivers Licence in respect of Mr J M McNeil of Biggleswade.

A copy of the application form and supporting documents were attached as an appendix for Members information.

The applicant attended the meeting and made representations in support of the application.

In accordance with the procedures for hearings held in private, the applicant and Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing were asked to withdraw whilst the Committee made their decision. Following which all who had withdrawn were recalled to hear the decision.

RESOLVED

1. ***that the application for grant of a new Private Hire Drivers Licence for Mr J M McNeil of Biggleswade be granted in this case, subject to the applicant being reminded of his responsibilities to comply with the conditions of the licence and that the Council has powers under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 to revoke the licence at any time and that any further convictions could be viewed extremely seriously.***

2. ***Subject to the applicant successfully passing the relevant drivers knowledge test.***

REG/08/10 **Application to Reinstate Private Hire Driver's Licence No. 745**

The Committee received and considered the report of the Interim Team Leader, Health & Safety & Licensing seeking authorisation to reinstate Private Hire Drivers Licence No. 745, following suspension of that licence at the former Mid Bedfordshire District Council Regulation Committee held on 4 March 2009.

RESOLVED

that Private Hire Drivers Licence No. 745 be reinstated.

(Note: The meeting commenced at 9.30 a.m. and concluded at 11.14 a.m.)