

Minutes of the meeting of the **REGULATORY** Committee held at the Council Offices, Whitfield on Tuesday 9 February 2010 at 9.45 am.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor P S Le Chevalier

Councillors B W Butcher
Mrs A R Smith
J M Smith
R S Walkden

Officers: Licensing Manager
Senior Democratic Support Officer

401 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Committee held on 10 and 25 November 2009 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

402 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 – APPLICATION TO LICENCE A VEHICLE WHICH DOES NOT COMPLY WITH COUNCIL POLICY – VAUXHALL ZAFIRA EA53 AOJ

The Committee considered an application by Mr J D Moore to licence a Vauxhall Zafira which would be 6 years old in April 2010. Mr Moore, who was present at the meeting, advised that he intended to retire in a year's time, that the vehicle had a very low mileage when purchased and that he was a single operator.

Members examined the vehicle and in accordance with the approved procedure the Committee withdrew to consider the application.

RESOLVED: That the application by Mr J D Moore to licence a Vauxhall Zafira vehicle registration EA53 AOJ be approved for a period of twelve months from the date of the Committee and that any further application in respect of this vehicle be brought before the Committee.

403 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 – APPLICATION TO LICENCE A VEHICLE WHICH DOES NOT COMPLY WITH COUNCIL POLICY – FIAT PANDA 1.3 MULTIJET

The Committee considered an application by Mr L Reynolds to licence a Fiat Panda 1.3 Multijet. Mr Reynolds explained that there was a demand for small vehicles to accommodate one or two passengers with no luggage or small amounts of shopping and a 50% reduction in fares could be passed on to the customer. In addition the carbon emissions of the vehicle would be significantly lower.

In accordance with the approved procedure the Committee withdrew to consider the application.

RESOLVED: That the application by Mr L Reynolds to licence a Fiat Panda 1.3 Multijet be refused on the grounds that it does not conform with Council policy.

REGULATION OF PERFORMANCES OF HYPNOTISM AS A FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT – HYPNOTISM ACT 1952

The Committee considered the Licensing Manager's report regarding the permitted use of hypnotism as a means of entertainment together with suggested conditions to be applied to any permission granted. The Licensing Act 2003 did not include acts of hypnotism in licensable activities and prior to the Licensing Act such events had been authorised under conditions attached to Public Entertainment Licences. Members were requested to approve model conditions to be attached to licences for the performance of stage hypnotism and determine the level of fee to be charged for such applications. It was recommended that the fee should cover the cost of administration and an element of enforcement.

RESOLVED: That the model conditions to be attached to licences for the performance of stage hypnotism, as now submitted, be approved and the application fee be set at £100.

The meeting ended at 10.38 am.