

Item 4

Time Commenced: 6:00pm

Time Finished: 6:15pm

LICENSING COMMITTEE

17 September 2020

Present: Councillor A Atwal (Chair)
Councillors Bettany, Cooper, A J Graves, Hezelgrave, A Holmes,
Hudson, J Khan, Marshall, Pearce, Peatfield, A Pegg, Sandhu,
Skelton and Smale.

In Attendance: Lucie Keeler – Solicitor – Legal Services
Olu Idowu – Head of Legal Services
Mike Kay – Head of Environmental Protection, Housing
Standards, Licensing, Emergency Planning and Business
Continuity

10/20 Apologies

No apologies were received

11/20 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair

The Chair updated the Members on the Committee on the requirement to state a declaration of “I confirm that I have been present throughout the presentation. I vote in favour / against the recommendation / I abstain.” When making a vote on any item and confirmed that their names would be called in alphabetical order when the votes were being cast.

12/20 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

13/20 Minutes of the Meetings held on 6 August 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 August 2020 were confirmed as an accurate record.

14/20 Approval of Testing Stations for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Inspections

The Committee considered a report from the Interim Director of Public Protection and Streetpride. The Head of Environmental Protection, Housing Standards, Licensing, Emergency Planning and Business Continuity presented the report explaining that the contracts with the existing approved stations were due to expire on 30 September 2020. The Head of Environmental Protection, Housing Standards, Licensing, Emergency Planning and Business Continuity explained that a tender process had been followed and 5 applications had been received. These 5 applications had been measured against specific award criteria and in line with the Council's current Financial Procedural Rules. The new contracts would initially run for 2 years (until 30 September 2022) with the option to extend for a further 12 months. The Head of Environmental Protection, Housing Standards, Licensing, Emergency Planning and Business Continuity assured the Committee Members that if the standards of any of the garages fell or there were complaints they would be able to terminate the contract awarded to them

Resolved to award a contract to the 5 testing stations, that had met the Council's required standards, to allow them to undertake the testing of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles until 30 September 2022.

MINUTES END