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**Special Regulatory Committee** 

Tuesday, 29 October 2019 4.30 p.m. Boardroom - Municipal Building, Widnes

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# **Chief Executive**

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Councillor John Abbott (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Eddie Dourley

Councillor Mike Fry

**Councillor Pauline Hignett** 

Councillor Kath Loftus

Councillor Tony McDermott

Councillor Angela McInerney

Councillor Stef Nelson

Councillor Gareth Stockton

Councillor Kevan Wainwright

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#### ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

#### Part I

#### Item No.

1. MINUTES

# 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Other Disclosable Interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda, no later than when that item is reached or as soon as the interest becomes apparent and, with Disclosable Pecuniary interests, to leave the meeting during any discussion or voting on the item.

## 3. SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

#### PART II

In this case the Board has a discretion to exclude the press and public and, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, it is **RECOMMENDED** that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, having been satisfied that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

## 4. TAXI MATTER

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# Agenda Item 1

# **REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

At a meeting of the Regulatory Committee on Wednesday, 13 March 2019 in the Council Chamber - Town Hall, Runcorn

Present: Councillors Wallace (Chair), Abbott (Vice-Chair), Fry, P. Hignett, K. Loftus, McDermott, A. McInerney, Nelson and G. Stockton

Apologies for Absence: Councillor Wall

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: K. Cleary, J. Tully, Wheeler and S. Thornett

Also in attendance: Three members of the public

# ITEMS DEALT WITH UNDER DUTIES EXERCISABLE BY THE COMMITTEE

REG22 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2018 and 16 January 2019, having been circulated were signed as a correct record.

REG23 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

The Committee considered:

- (1) Whether Members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Board during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- (2) Whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions

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were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

REG24 TAXI MATTER

Case No: 721

RESOLVED: That the Single Status Drivers Licence application be refused.

REG25 TAXI MATTER

Case No: 722

RESOLVED: That the Single Status Drivers Licence application be granted.

Meeting ended at 8.05 p.m.

By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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