

REGULATORY COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Regulatory Committee on Monday, 18 July 2016 in the Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall

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

Apologies for Absence: Councillors A. McInerney, Nelson, Parker and Wainwright

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: K. Cleary, M. Reaney and J. Tully

Also in attendance: 4 Members of the public

ITEMS DEALT WITH UNDER DUTIES EXERCISABLE BY THE COMMITTEE

REG10 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

Action

The Board 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 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 the public interest 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 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, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

REG11 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - PRIVATE HIRE OPERATORS' LICENCE

This matter was carried over from the adjourned meeting of the Committee held on 6th July.

Case No. 395

The holder of a private hire operator's licence was reported to the Committee on a number of matters. At the conclusion of the Committee's considerations it was

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the current licence would not be revoked;
- (2) the renewal licence application be granted but be limited to one year;
- (3) the dispensations granted by the Committee to the licence holder at a previous meeting be rescinded; and
- (4) a severe reprimand be issued to the licence holder for wasting the Council's time.

Meeting ended at 7.20 p.m.