

REGULATORY COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Regulatory Committee on Tuesday, 25 October 2016 in the Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall

Present: Councillors K. Loftus (Chair), Wallace (Vice-Chair), P. Hignett, McDermott, A. McInerney, Nelson, Parker, Wainwright and Wall

Apologies for Absence: Councillor Fry

Absence declared on Council business: None

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

Also in attendance: None

ITEMS DEALT WITH UNDER DUTIES EXERCISABLE BY THE COMMITTEE

Action

REG15 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings held on 6th and 18th July 2016 having been circulated were signed as a correct record.

REG16 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 Committee 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 item 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 paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 7 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

REG17 TAXI LICENSING MATTER

Case no. 694

This item involved consideration of whether the licence holder was a fit and proper person to continue to hold a single status drivers' licence following allegations of misconduct.

RESOLVED: That the single status licence be suspended for three months.

NOTE: To avoid any allegation of bias Councillor Parker declared that he was related to the advocate acting for the licence holder and took no part in the determination of the above item.

REG18 TAXI LICENSING MATTER

Case No. 695

This item involved an application for a single status driving licence following the revocation of a previous licence.

RESOLVED: That the application be refused.

Meeting ended at 8.35 p.m.