

## REGULATORY COMMITTEE

*At a meeting of the Regulatory Committee on Wednesday, 5 July 2017 in the Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall*

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

Apologies for Absence: Councillor Parker

Absence declared on Council business: None

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

Also in attendance: 2 members of the public.

### ITEMS DEALT WITH UNDER DUTIES EXERCISABLE BY THE COMMITTEE

*Action*

#### REG1 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017 having been circulated were signed as a correct record.

#### REG2 TAXI LICENSING MATTER

The Committee met to consider the proposed variation to the Council's Table of Fares to take into consideration the imposition of tolling on the Mersey Gateway and the Silver Jubilee Bridge.

RESOLVED: That the variation to the Council's table of fares as set out at paragraph 4.3 of the report be advertised in the local press in accordance with section 65 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and the variation shall (subject to the provisions of that section) take effect on 5 August 2017.

#### REG3 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 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 following items of the Committee Agenda, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs 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 paragraphs 3 (Minute No 4 and 5) and 1, 2, 3 and 7 (Minute No 6) of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

REG4 TAXI LICENSING MATTER

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

REG5 TAXI LICENSING MATTER

Case no. 698

RESOLVED: That the Committee found that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a Single Status Drivers' licence and consequently the application was refused.

REG6 TAXI LICENSING MATTER

Case no. 699

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the Private Hire Operator licence be revoked;
- (2) should an application to renew the Private Hire Operator licence be received the application be refused; and
- (3) the decision to suspend the licence be endorsed.

*Meeting ended at 7.20 p.m.*