Present:

Councillor Hardy (in the Chair)

Councillors

Bate Callow Mrs Greenhalgh

Mrs Benson Mrs Cresswell Mrs Smith

In attendance:

Mr P Baines, Mr C Brittain, Mr EM Rhodes, Business Services Department.

Ms L Weston, Tourism and Regeneration Services Department.

1. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

That under Section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of items 3 and 4 on the grounds that they would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 12 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

2. MINUTES, 14TH APRIL 2005

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as an accurate record by the Chairman.

3. HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Sub-Committee was informed of three application for the grant of new Hackney Carriage Driver's Licenses. Convictions or concerns of a sufficiently serious nature as to be referred to the Committee for consideration had been disclosed or had come to light.

GAS was not present, CRE was present, and BP appeared with his father.

Inspector Horrocks was in attendance to represent the Constabulary.

Resolved:

- (1) That the application in respect of GAS be heard in his absence.
- (2) That the application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's License in respect of GAS be refused on the grounds that he was not a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver's License.
- (3) That the application for grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver's License in respect of BP be granted.

(4) That, having due regard to the Human Rights Act 1998, the application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's License in respect of CRE be refused on the grounds that he was not a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver's License.

Background Papers: Exempt.

NOTE: Councillor Mrs Benson declared a prejudicial interest and left the meeting during consideration of the application in respect of BP on the grounds that she attended school with the applicant.

NOTE: Councillor Callow declared a prejudicial interest and left the meeting during consideration of the application in respect of CRE as he was acquainted with the applicant and his father.

4. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS' LICENCE

The Sub-Committee was informed of an application for a grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's License, and an existing license holder who had given reason for concern. Convictions or considerations of a sufficiently serious nature as to be referred to the Committee for consideration had been disclosed or had come to light.

KSH was in attendance with two colleagues and his wife, and PWH was in attendance with his employer.

Inspector Horrocks was in attendance to represent the Constabulary.

Resolved:

- (1) That a warning letter be sent to the license holder in respect of KSH, and retained on his file for referral should the license holder appear before the Sub-Committee in the future.
- (2) That the application for a grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's license in respect of PWH be granted.

Background Papers: Exempt.

5. ROYAL WINDSOR HOTEL - APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE

The Sub-Committee was informed that an application for a provisional Public Entertainment License had been received from the Royal Windsor Hotel, 245 - 249 Promenade, Blackpool.

A letter was acknowledged from Mr Capaldi which requested the Sub-Committee to consider the application in his absence.

Inspector Horrocks was in attendance to represent the Constabulary.

Resolved: That the application for a provisional Public Entertainment License in respect of the Royal Windsor Hotel be deferred to a future meeting in order to ensure

a fair Hearing in the presence of Mr Capaldi and / or the Licensee.

Background Papers: Exempt.

6. THE SUN INN - APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE

The Sub-Committee was informed that an application for a provisional Public Entertainment License had been received in respect of The Sun Inn, 88 Bolton Street, Blackpool.

The hours sought were: Monday to Saturday 10:30am - 11:00pm Sundays 12:00pm - 10:00pm.

Inspector Horrocks was in attendance to represent the Constabulary and did not express any objections to the application.

Resolved:

- (1) That the application for a provisional Public Entertainment License in respect of The Sun Inn be granted.
- (2) To delegate to officers the subsequent grant of the License subject to their satisfaction that all the relevant conditions are satisfied.

Background Papers: Exempt.

7. OXFORD HOTEL - PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE

The Committee was informed that an application had not been received to renew the Public Entertainment License in respect of The Oxford Hotel, Oxford Square, Blackpool.

The Committee was informed that the Licensee had not responded to a Renewal Pack that was sent in December 2004, or a number of reminders letters which had followed.

Resolved:

- (1) That the application in respect of The Oxford Hotel be heard in the Licensee's absence.
- (2) That the Public Entertainment License would not be renewed in respect of the Oxford Hotel, Oxford Square, Blackpool, on the grounds that the Licensee had not taken any action to renew the Public Entertainment License and public safety could not be guaranteed without its renewal.

Background Papers: Exempt.

8. SEALIFE CENTRE AND TOWER AQUARIUM - ZOO LICENCE - PAPER C

The Sub-Committee was informed that inspections of both The Sea Life Centre and Tower Aquarium were required during 2005 in order to satisfy the Zoo Licensing Act, and asked to note the inspectors' reports and agree the fees for inspections.

Resolved:

- (1) To note the inspectors' reports in respect of the Sealife Centre and Tower Aquarium.
- (2) To endorse the inspection and administration fee in respect of the Sealife Centre.
- (3) To endorse the inspection and administation fee in respect of the Tower Aquarium.

Background Papers: Exempt.

(The meeting ended at 12:45 pm)

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