



Minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee

16 July 2015

-: Present :-

Councillors Manning, Brooks and Lang

13. Election of Chairman/woman

Councillor Manning was elected as Chairman for the meeting.

14. Taxi Driver Report

Members considered a report concerning an application for a Torbay Council Driver's Licence, where the Applicant does not meet the Torbay Council's Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licensing Policy requirements and considered whether the Applicant is a 'fit and proper person' to hold a Torbay Council Driver's Licence.

At the hearing Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee heard submissions from the Senior Licensing Officer.

Members heard that the Applicant had completed and submitted an application stating that he had a conviction for two offences under the Fraud Act 2006, relating to 'making false representation to make gain for self or other' which were committed on the 25 October 2010.

The Senior Licensing Officer advised Members that after a Disclosure and Barring Service check, the actual date of conviction for these two offences was 21 June 2013.

Members were advised that according to Policy, the conviction falls into the category of dishonesty which states that 'in normal circumstances any driver would have to remain free from conviction for a period of three years.' Therefore, the date for granting an application in line with the Policy would be 21 June 2016.

The Applicant submitted his case to members and answered questions put to him.

Decision:

That an application for a Torbay Council issued Drivers Licence be refused.

Reason for Decision:

Having carefully considered all the written and oral Representations, Members resolved to refuse the application given that they were unable to find any specific reasons given by the Applicant which would allow them to depart from Policy.

Chairman