

**EXTRAORDINARY LICENSING COMMITTEE held at 10.30 am at the
TOWN HALL SAFFRON WALDEN on 3 MAY 2011**

Present: Councillor E W Hicks – Chairman.
Councillors J E Hudson and D J Morson.

Officers in attendance: M Hardy (Licensing Officer), M Perry (Assistant Chief Executive-Legal) and C Roberts (Democratic Services Officer).

LC84 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

An apology for absence was received from Councillor D G Perry.

LC85 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED that under Section 100 (I) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of Exempt Information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

**LC86 DETERMINATION OF A MATTER RELATING TO A PRIVATE HIRE
DRIVER'S LICENCE**

The Chairman welcomed all parties to the meeting and introduced the Members of the Panel to the Driver and his representative.

The Licensing Officer received confirmation from the driver that he had received the Licensing Officer's report.

The Licensing Officer then presented his report. The case had been brought before the Committee following the driver's application to renew his licence. The driver's licence had shown a previous minor motoring offence committed during the previous three years. The CRB check however had shown intelligence, the details of which were disclosed to the Panel.

The Licensing Officer answered questions put by the Driver's representative.

The Driver with the assistance of his representative put his case and answered questions from Members.

The Assistant Chief Executive-Legal advised the Panel on matters it could take into account when considering the question of fitness and propriety, and on the standard of proof for fitness and propriety in licensing appeals.

The Driver's representative gave a closing address and the Panel withdrew to consider its decision at 11.12 am.

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Members returned to announce their decision at 11.40 pm.

Members informed the Driver that, for reasons the Chairman gave, they were satisfied that he remained a fit and proper person to hold a licence and his licence would therefore be renewed.

The meeting ended at 11.50 am.