

LICENSING BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on 6 January 2022 at 10.00 am in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor Brenda Rogers (Chair); Councillors Dexter, Huxley, Potts, M Saunders, Scobie, Shrubbs and Wright

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Ara, Bambridge, Dennis and Green.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Scobie proposed, Councillor Saunders seconded and members agreed that the minutes be approved as a correct record of the meeting held on 23 November 2021.

4. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

It was proposed by Councillor Shrubbs, seconded by Councillor Potts and Members agreed:

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for agenda item 5 as it contains exempt information as defined in Paragraph 7 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

5. LICENCE TO DRIVE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES

Ms Phillips, Principal Litigation Solicitor made the introductory remarks by advising on the meeting procedure for the discussion of this item.

Ms Malyn, Licensing Officer, presented the report.

The Licence Holder and the Licence Holder Representative addressed the Board.

The Licensing Officer asked questions of the Licence Holder.

Members asked questions of the Licence Holder and the Licence Holder representative.

Following the debate, Members of the Board agreed the following:

‘The decision of the Thanet District Council Licensing Board on the 6th January 2022, in considering whether to take action in respect of the Licence to Drive private hire vehicles of Mr Shane Keeler, in accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, having considered the documentation received and representations made to it from:

1. The Licensing Officer – Ms Malyn
2. The Licence Holder and his employer representative

Is that the Licence to Drive Private Hire Vehicle of Mr Shane Keeler is revoked

The above decision was based upon the cumulative evidence which presented a picture of someone who did not fulfil the fitness requirement to continue to hold a licence in accordance with Section 61(b) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.'

Meeting concluded: 10.35am