

TAXI AND GENERAL SUB COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON THURSDAY 20TH JANUARY 2022 AT 11.30 A.M

PRESENT

Councillor W. Williams - Vice-Chair Presiding

Councillors:

D.W.R. Preece

Together with:

L. Morgan (Licensing Manager), S. Lewis-Williams (Senior Licensing Officer), T. Rawson (Solicitor), J. Thomas (Committee Services Officer), R. Barrett (Committee Services Officer)

Also Present:

Representing the Applicant

Ms Y (Applicant – Agenda Item 4), Mr M (Applicant – Agenda Item 5).

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P.J. Bevan due to connectivity issues.

The Legal Officer advised both applicants the meeting was quorate with two Members, but offered the option to adjourn to a future date with three Members, or proceed with the two Members present. The applicants both declined the opportunity to adjourn and confirmed they wished to proceed with the meeting.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the beginning or during the course of the meeting.

3 EXEMPT MATTER

Members considered the two public interest test certificates from the Proper Officer and concluded that on balance the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information and it was

RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure to them of exempt information as identified in paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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The Chair thanked all parties for their attendance and the meeting closed at 2.11 pm