# **BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL**

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE A HELD ON 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2010 AT 10.00 A.M.

- A Councillor Muriel Cole
- P Councillor Chris Davies (for Cllr Cole)
- P Councillor Brenda Hugill (in the Chair)
- P Councillor Jay Jethwa
- P Councillor Tim Leaman
- P Councillor Guy Poultney

### PSP

# 114.11/10 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

## (i) Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Cole, her substitute was Councillor Davies.

#### (ii) Declarations of Interest

No further declarations of interest were received.

#### PSP

## 115.11/10 PUBLIC FORUM

Nothing was received.

#### PSP

- 116.11/10 CONSIDERATION OF THE SUSPENSION OF COMMITTEE PROCEDURE RULES (CMR 10 AND 11) RELATING TO THE MOVING OF MOTIONS AND RULES OF DEBATE FOR THE DURATION OF THE MEETING
  - RESOLVED that having regard to the quasi judicial nature of the business on the agenda, those Committee Rules relating to the moving of motions and the rules of debate (CMR 10 and 11) be suspended for the duration of the meeting.

#### PSP 117.11/10 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

- RESOLVED that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act, as amended.
- PSP

## 118.11/10 HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER COMPLAINT FROM PASSENGER - MV

(Exempt paragraph 3 - Information relating to a person's financial or business affairs)

The Licensing Officer advised Members that a fax had been received this morning from the firm representing MV advising them that the solicitor due to attend the meeting was ill and could not therefore attend the meeting.

MV requested that, in view of the fact that his solicitor could not be present, consideration of his case be deferred until a future meeting of the Committee.

The Committee expressed concern that this item had already been deferred on a previous occasion due to the unavailability of MV's solicitor. Witnesses were also in attendance. However, the circumstances were unforeseeable and exceptional and therefore one further adjournment of the item would be agreed to enable MV to attend with his legal representative.

## RESOLVED - that the request from MV for an adjournment of his case until a future meeting of the Committee be agreed.

PSP

## 119.11/10 HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER RECENT ARREST

(Exempt paragraph 3 - Information relating to a person's financial or business affairs)

The Sub-Committee considered an exempt report of the Director of Neighbourhoods (agenda item no. 6) to determine whether any action is required as a result of recent information received from the Avon and Somerset Constabulary. RESOLVED - (i) that the Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence held be suspended until midnight on the first date that the item is brought back before the Committee following conclusion of the criminal matter on the ground contained in section 61(1)(b) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 namely "any other reasonable cause"; and

> (ii) that in the interests of public safety the suspension is to have immediate effect in accordance with section 61(2B) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

PSP

120.11/10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED - that the next meeting will be held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 10.00 a.m. and will be a meeting of the Full Committee.

(The meeting ended at 2.05 pm.)

CHAIR