## TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

# **LICENSING AND APPEALS PANEL**

# Thursday, 27th March, 2014

**Present:** Cllr C Brown (Chairman), Cllr Mrs P Bates and Cllr S M King

Together with representatives of the Licensing Authority.

# PART 1 - PUBLIC

# LA 14/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

# MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PRIVATE

#### LA 14/22 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Chairman moved, it was seconded and

**RESOLVED:** That as public discussion would disclose exempt information, the following matters be considered in private.

### **PART 2 - PRIVATE**

# DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 3, PART 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION

# LA 14/23 REVIEW OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - CASE NO 06/2014

(Reason: LGA 1972 Sch 12A Para 1 – Information relating to an individual)

The Panel gave consideration to the report of the Director of Central Services and Monitoring Officer regarding a licensed Hackney Carriage Driver. The Panel listened carefully to the evidence presented by the Licensing and Community Safety Manager that the licensed vehicle had been found unattended, parked on a Taxi Rank within Tonbridge with out of date Hackney Carriage Licence plates.

The Panel gave careful consideration to the representations made by the licence holder, who acknowledged his responsibility for ensuring that the vehicle licence plates were up-to-date and confirmed that he had not been plying for hire when the vehicle was left unattended. The Panel was very concerned that the driver seemed unaware of the responsibilities of a licence holder and

**RESOLVED:** That the driver be issued with a written warning and that 2 penalty points be added to his Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence in respect of leaving a hackney carriage unattended.

The meeting ended at 8.29 pm having commenced at 8.12 pm