

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE

28th April 2026

A meeting of the Licensing Committee was held at the Town Hall, Nuneaton on Tuesday, 28 April 2026.

Present

Councillor J. Gutteridge (Vice-Chair)

Councillors: M. Bird, J. Clarke, S. Croft, M. Etienne, B. Hughes, N. King, M. Wright and T. Venson (substitute for T. Sheppard).

Apologies: Councillors T. Sheppard and J. Bonner.

Absent: Councillor T. Jenkins.

PART I – PUBLIC BUSINESS

LIC21 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on the 11th March 2026, be approved and signed by the Chair.

LIC22 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor T. Venson declared that he had been a customer (via work) of the taxi driver referred to in agenda item LIC 27. He confirmed that he did not know the driver personally or spoken to him since he was a customer.

RESOLVED that the declarations of interests are as set out in the Schedule which can be viewed on the Council website ([Councillor Declarations of Interests](#)) with the addition of the declaration from Councillor Venson.

LIC23 **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

RESOLVED that under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, it being likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information of the description specified in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

PART 2 – EXEMPT BUSINESS

LIC24 **Complaint about a Current Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Licensed Driver**

A report of the Assistant Director – Environment and Enforcement gave the Panel the opportunity to hear all the evidence, and to discuss and consider a complaint regarding a current hackney carriage/private hire driver.

RESOLVED that having heard all the evidence and discussed the options, the Licensing Committee have decided that 6 penalty points be issued to Mr B.

LIC25 **Appeal Against Penalty Points Issued to Current Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Licensed Driver**

A report of the Assistant Director – Environment and Enforcement gave the Panel the opportunity to hear all the evidence, and to discuss and consider an appeal by a current hackney carriage/private hire driver against penalty points issued.

RESOLVED that having heard all the evidence and discussed the options, the Licensing Committee determined that the penalty points issued to Mr B should remain.

LIC26 **Complaint about a Current Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver**

A report of the Assistant Director – Environment and Enforcement gave the Panel the opportunity to hear all the evidence, and to discuss and consider a complaint regarding a current hackney carriage/private hire driver.

RESOLVED that having heard all the evidence and discussed the options, the Licensing Committee have determined that

- a) a formal warning letter be sent to Mr K about his behaviour, which will remain on his record for twelve months and should include recommendations that he undertake relevant awareness training, including safeguarding training; and
- b) Mr K is to send a written apology to the complainant via NBBC Officers, within the next two weeks.

LIC27 **Report of a Complaint about a Current Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver**

A report of the Assistant Director – Environment and Enforcement gave the Panel the opportunity to hear all the evidence, and to discuss and consider a complaint regarding a current hackney carriage/private hire driver.

RESOLVED that having heard all the evidence and discussed the options, the Licensing Committee have determined that the complaint not be upheld and no further action be taken against Mr H at this time.

LIC28 **Appeal Against Penalty Points Issued to Current Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Licensed Driver**

RESOLVED as Mr S was not in attendance and had requested a deferral as he is currently abroad due to a personal bereavement, the Committee determined that this item be deferred to the next Licensing Committee meeting.

Chair