MINUTES of the meeting of Regulatory Committee held at The Council Chamber, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford on Thursday, 6 March 2008 at 3.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor P Jones CBE (Chairman)

Councillor JW Hope MBE (Vice Chairman)

Councillors: CM Bartrum, DJ Benjamin, ME Cooper, JHR Goodwin,

R Mills, A Seldon and DC Taylor

103. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence submitted on behalf of Councillors PGH Cutter and Mrs SPA Daniels.

104. NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY)

There were no named substitutes present at the meeting.

105. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

106. PROCEDURAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Committee noted the procedural arrangements for hearing appeals to ensure that the laws of natural justice were followed to give a fair hearing to the applicants and to the Licensing Officers.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

In the opinion of the Proper Officer, the following item will not be, or is likely not to be, open to the public and press at the time it is considered.

RESOLVED: that under section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act

1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in

Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as indicated below.

The item discloses information relating to any particular applicant for, or recipient of, or former recipient of, any service provided by the authority.

107. DUAL (HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE) DRIVER LICENCE - TO DETERMINE A DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976

The Licensing Officer referred to agenda item No. 5 and provided the Committee with the circumstances which had given rise to the need for an application for the renewal of a dual Hackney Carriage/Private Hire driver's licence being referred to the

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Committee. The applicant provided the Committee with details of the circumstances which had given rise to him receiving a conviction and the reasons why he felt that he should be allowed to continue to be a licence holder. He also provided the Committee with a written reference which was read out by the Licensing Officer.

Having considered all of the facts put forward by the Licensing Officer and the applicant, the Committee was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person under the meaning of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and that his licence could be renewed. The applicant was advised that the situation would be reviewed if the Criminal Records Bureau check authorised by the Licensing Manager revealed anything that was of concern to her.

The meeting ended at 3.35 p.m.

CHAIRMAN