

MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of a **MEETING** of the **REGULATORY COMMITTEE** held on 9 October 2018 at 11.45 am

Present Councillors

R J Chesterton, Mrs F J Colthorpe,
D R Coren, Mrs G Doe, K Busch,
L D Taylor, R Wright, S G Flaws and A Bush

Apologies Councillor(s)

T G Hughes and D J Knowles

Also Present Councillor(s)

P J Heal and C J Eginton

Also Present Officer(s):

Kathryn Tebbey (Group Manager for Legal Services and Monitoring Officer), Jeremy Pritchard (Lead Officer Commercial Team), Thomas Keating (Lead Licensing Officer) and Carole Oliphant (Member Services Officer)

1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN (CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL, P J HEAL, IN THE CHAIR) (00.39.21)

RESOLVED that Cllr D Coren be elected Chairman of the Regulatory Committee for the municipal year 2018/19.

(Proposed by Cllr G Doe and seconded by Cllr K Busch)

Cllr D Coren then took the Chair.

2 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN (0040.57)

RESOLVED that Cllr G Doe be elected Vice - Chairman of the Regulatory Committee for the municipal year 2018/19.

(Proposed by Cllr D Coren and seconded by Cllr K Busch)

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT (00.41.40)

There were no declarations made

4 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (00.42.29)

Apologies received from Cllr T G Hughes and Cllr D J Knowles

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (00.43.00)

There were no members of the public present

6 **MINUTES (00.43.34)**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman

7 **ENFORCEMENT UPDATE (00.45.24)**

The Group received a verbal update from the Lead Licensing Officer who explained that there had been 43 inspections of vehicles this year and that the overall standard was good with only a few issues like dirty vehicles being highlighted. He explained the importance of proactive inspections.

There had been four hearings this year with two applicants being refused, one being granted and with one the existing licence was upheld.

The Lead Licensing Officer explained the new process in which a Licensing Officer would now give the Sub Committee Members a recommendation on how to proceed with a hearing. He further explained that Members did not have to go with the recommendation but it would be linked to policy.

There was a general discussion on how the new process had worked for the Members present at the last Sub Committee hearing and they explained that it was very positive and helpful.

The Lead Licensing Officer was thanked for his update.

(The meeting ended at 11.57 am)

CHAIRMAN