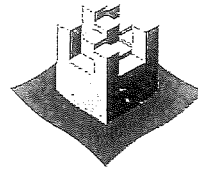




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Questions to the Council.

20th October 2015

1. Rugby World cup 2015

Given the level of investment by this Council for this prestigious event can the Leader sum up his overall impression of how it went and at the same time explain how the circumstances arose whereby a music group/band performed at the Fanzone venue with what appears to be little or no involvement by the Council insofar as the Environmental impact of the noise that was made to the detriment of the City's residents?

2. Disciplinary action and enforcement, Hackney Carriage drivers and licensing.

Can the Leader or his portfolio holder explain and comment on the following:  
Delegation to Officers policy document was amended in June 2015. Prior to this the relevant document was 2012. The Licensing Dept. relies on Section 5 of its policies for dealing with breaches, which include suspensions and revocations. During the Christmas period, 2014 a Duryard resident and holder of a current Hackney Licence was stopped by the Police

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and a number of allegations were made against him in respect of the vehicle, manner of driving and his ability to drive. This included his arrest and subsequent provision of a blood sample. By delegated powers he received a letter revoking his licence. Over a period of months the Police dropped ALL charges and allegations.

Paragraph 5.7 of Section 5 of the Licensing policy states states:

A licensing sub-committee may exercise its discretion to revoke a driver's licence because he/she has been convicted of a serious criminal offence, or other serious matter referred to them by the Assistant Director Environment. Such action shall only be taken after a hearing before a licensing Sub-committee.

( a Licensing sub-committee comprises of at least two Councillors).

Given the content of the revised delegated powers which probably mirrors the old one can the Leader or his Portfolio holder explain how given the outcome of this case the delegated powers of Officer(s) has totally bypassed the provisions of the current Licensing policy. Does the Leader or his P.H. agree that the Licensing policy should be reviewed and at the same time also explain given the outcome of the case what part elected Councillors should take.

Kind Regards

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