General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (3)

Date	**Wednesday 17 October 2018**
Time	**1.30 pm**
Venue	**Committee Room 2 - County Hall, Durham**

Business

Part A

Items during which the Press and Public are welcome to attend. Members of the Public can ask questions with the Chairman's agreement.

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Substitute Members
3. Declarations of interest, if any.
4. Minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2018 (Pages 3 - 6)
5. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration.
6. Any resolution relating to the exclusion of the public during the discussion of exempt information.

Part B

Items during which it is considered the meeting will not be open to the public (consideration of exempt or confidential information)

7. Application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence (Pages 7 - 34)
8. Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Proprietor (Pages 35 - 82)
9. Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Proprietor (Pages 83 - 130)
10. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration.

Helen Lynch
Head of Legal and Democratic Services

County Hall
Durham
9 October 2018

To: **The Members of the General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (3)**

Councillor P Crathorne (Chairman)

Councillors A Batey, M Clarke, A Reed and D Wood

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DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (3)** held in Committee Room 2 - County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 5 September 2018 at 10.00 am**

Present:

Councillor P Crathorne (Chairman)

Members of the Committee:
Councillors A Batey, T Tucker and D Wood

1 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor S Durham.

2 Substitute Members

There were no substitute Members in attendance.

3 Declarations of interest, if any

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 June 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5 Any resolution relating to the exclusion of the public during the discussion of exempt information.

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 involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the said Act.

6 Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver

The Chairman welcomed the Licence Holder and his representative to the meeting and introductions took place.

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director of Adult Services to determine the ongoing suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver (for copy, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and the Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the Licensing Enforcement Team report. Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions following both presentations, as well as the Licence Holder and his representative.

A representative from Durham Constabulary confirmed that no data was held on the Police National Computer with regards to the Licence Holder and therefore no information could be presented to assist in determining the application.

The Licence Holder and his representative were invited to address the Sub-Committee and responded to questions from Members and Officers.

At 10.25 a.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and after reconvening at 10.35 a.m. the Chairman delivered the decision.

Resolved:

That no further action be taken as the Licence Holder was deemed to be a fit and proper person.

7 Application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant to the meeting and introductions took place.

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director of Adult Services to determine the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Licence (for copy, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and the Licensing Enforcement Officer presented the Licensing Enforcement Team report. Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions following both presentations, as well as the Applicant.

A representative from Durham Constabulary confirmed the accuracy in respect of matters outlined in the report.

The Applicant was invited to address the Sub-Committee and responded to questions from Members and Officers.

At 11.05 a.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and after reconvening at 11.15 a.m. the Chairman delivered the decision.

Resolved:

That a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licence be granted as the Applicant was deemed to be a fit and proper person.

8 Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver

The Chairman welcomed the Licence Holder and his supporter to the meeting and introductions took place.

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director of Adult Services to determine the ongoing suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver (for copy, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and the Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the Licensing Enforcement Team report. Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions following both presentations, as well as the Licence Holder.

A representative from Durham Constabulary addressed the Sub-Committee in respect of matters outlined in the report.

The Licence Holder and his supporter were invited to address the Sub-Committee and the Licence Holder responded to questions from Members and Officers.

At 12.05 p.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and after reconvening at 12.20 p.m. the Chairman delivered the decision.

Resolved:

That the Licence be revoked as the Licence Holder was not deemed to be a fit and proper person.

9 Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver

The Licensing Team Leader confirmed that the Licence Holder had not responded to any invitations to attend a pre-committee interview and Members agreed unanimously to determine the application in his absence.

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director of Adult Services to determine the ongoing suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver (for copy, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and the Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the Licensing Enforcement Team report and confirmed that the Licence Holder had not attended or responded to attempts made to contact him. Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions following both presentations.

A representative from Durham Constabulary addressed the Sub-Committee in respect of matters outlined in the report.

At 12.35 p.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and after reconvening at 12.40 p.m. the Chairman delivered the decision.

Resolved:

That the Licence be revoked as the Licence Holder was not deemed to be a fit and proper person.

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