



## **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)**

**Date**      **Wednesday 17 November 2021**  
**Time**      **1.30 pm**  
**Venue**     **Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham**

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### **Business**

#### **Part A**

##### **Items which are open to the Public and Press**

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Substitutes
3. Minutes of the meetings held on 6 October 2021 (Pages 3 - 6)
4. Declarations of Interest (if any)
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 items containing 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. Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Private Hire Driver (Pages 7 - 32)
8. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration

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9 November 2021

To: **The Members of the General Licensing and Registration  
Sub-Committee (2)**

Councillor L Brown (Chair)

Councillors G Hutchinson, L Mavin, D Stoker and A Watson

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## DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)** held in Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 6 October 2021 at 9.30 am**

**Present:**

**Councillor L Brown (Chair)**

**Members of the Committee:**

Councillors G Hutchinson, L Mavin and A Watson

**Also Present:**

Councillor L Mavin (Observer)

S Buston (Council's Solicitor)

N Anderson (Licensing Enforcement Officer)

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D Stoker.

**2 Substitutes**

There were no substitute Members.

**3 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4 Minutes**

The minutes of the meetings held on 22 July 2021 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**5 Exclusion of the Public**

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the

grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1,2,3 and 5 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

## **6 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Private Hire Driver**

The Chair welcomed the Licence Holder to the meeting and introductions were made.

The Sub-Committee considered the report of the Corporate Director of Neighbourhoods and Climate Change to determine the ongoing suitability of the Licence Holder to continue to be licensed as a Private Hire Driver (for copy of report, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Enforcement Officer presented the report, Members and the Licence Holder were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

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

After Summing up, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 10.00 am. After re-convening at 10.20 am, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:** That the Licence Holder's Private Hire Drivers Licence be suspended for the minimum of one month and the successful completion of the knowledge test.

## **7 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver**

That consideration of the item be deferred until a future meeting of the Sub-Committee.

## **DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)**  
held in Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 6 October**  
**2021 at 1.30 pm**

**Present:**

**Councillor L Brown (Chair)**

**Members of the Committee:**

Councillors G Hutchinson, L Mavin and A Watson

**Also Present:**

S Grigor (Council's Solicitor)

L Ball (Licensing Enforcement Officer)

### **1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D Stoker.

### **2 Substitutes**

There were no substitute Members.

### **3 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **4 Exclusion of the Public**

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 paragraphs 1,2,3 and 5 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

## 5 **Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Private Hire Driver to Hold a Licence from Durham County Council**

The Chair welcomed the Licence Holder to the meeting and introductions were made.

The Sub-Committee considered the report of the Corporate Director of Neighbourhoods and Climate Change to determine the ongoing suitability of the Licence Holder to continue to be licensed as a Private Hire Driver (for copy of report, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Enforcement Officer presented the report, Members and the Licence Holder were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

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

After Summing up, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 1.40 pm. After re-convening at 1.55 pm, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:** That the Licence Holder's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence be suspended for 12 months but this be suspended for 12 months.

By virtue of paragraph(s) 1, 2, 3, 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A  
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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