



## **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (3)**

**Date**      **Wednesday 8 June 2022**  
**Time**      **9.30 am**  
**Venue**     **Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham**

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### **Business**

#### **Part A**

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

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Substitute Members
3. Declarations of interest, if any
4. Minutes of the meeting held on 20 April 2022 (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. Consideration of an application for a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence (Pages 7 - 34)
8. Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Joint Driver (Pages 35 - 72)
9. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration

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27 May 2022

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

Councillors J Blakey, J Griffiths, B Kellett and D Stoker

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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 20 April 2022 at 9.30 am**

**Present:**

**Councillor J Blakey (Chair)**

**Members of the Committee:**

Councillors J Griffiths and E Waldock (Substitute)

**Also Present:**

S Buston (Council's Solicitor)

I Dargue (Licensing Enforcement Officer)

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Deinali, O Gunn, C Hunt and J Chaplow.

**2 Substitute Members**

Councillor E Waldock was substitute for Councillor O Gunn.

**3 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 March 2022 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**5 Exclusion of the Public**

**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 involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1,2, 3 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the said Act.

## **6 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver**

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

The Sub-Committee considered a 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 Hackney Carriage Driver (for copy see file of minutes).

The Licensing Enforcement Officer presented the report and all parties were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

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

After all parties were given the opportunity to make a closing statement, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the matter in private, at 9.57 am. After re-convening at 10.08 am, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:** That the Licence Holder be suspended until he attends the appropriate training course and be issued with a twelve-month written warning.

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

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

The Sub-Committee considered a 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 see file of minutes).

The Licensing Enforcement Officer presented the report and all parties were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

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

After all parties were given the opportunity to make a closing statement, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the matter in private, at 10.32 am. After re-convening at 10.40 am, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:** That the Licence Holder be issued with a six-month written warning and to familiarise himself with the terms of the Council's policy.

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