



General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)

Date **Wednesday 7 June 2023**
Time **9.30 am**
Venue **Committee Room 1A , County Hall, Durham**

Business

Part A

Items which are open to the Public and Press

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Substitutes
3. Minutes of the meeting held on 19 April 2023 (Pages 3 - 4)
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 Hackney Carriage Driver (Pages 5 - 34)
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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County Hall
Durham
30 May 2023

To: **The Members of the General Licensing and Registration
Sub-Committee (1)**

Councillor D Brown (Chair)

Councillors P Atkinson, J Griffiths and B Kellett

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DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

GENERAL LICENSING AND REGISTRATION SUB-COMMITTEE (1)

At a Meeting of the **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)** held in **Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham** on **Wednesday 19 April 2023** at **1.30 pm**

Present:

Councillor D Brown in the Chair

Members of the Sub-Committee:

Councillors J Griffiths, O Gunn, R Potts

Also present:

M Haigh – Licensing Enforcement Officer

C Hazell – Council's Solicitor

Licence Holder

Licence Holder's representative

1 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Chaplow.

2 Substitutes

No substitute members were in attendance.

3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2023 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4 Declarations of Interest

No interests were declared.

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 Joint Driver

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

The Sub-Committee was requested to consider a report of the Corporate Director of Neighbourhoods and Climate Change regarding the ongoing suitability of the Licence Holder to continue to hold a joint driver licence (for copy of report, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Enforcement Officer outlined the report and answered questions from the parties.

The Licence Holder and his representative then addressed the Sub-Committee and answered questions from the parties

After summing up, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate in private at approximately 2.30 pm. On re-convening at approximately 3.10 pm, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

Resolved:

That the Licence Holder's joint driver licence be suspended, with immediate effect, pending completion of child sexual exploitation training.

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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