DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (3)** held in Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 5 February 2014 at 10.00 am**

Present:

Councillor J Bell (Chairman)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors K Hopper, A Surtees and A Willis

1 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor B Glass.

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 11 December 2013 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 grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence.

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

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services, which requested the Sub-Committee to determine the application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence.

The Licensing Officer presented the report, following which a representative for Durham Constabulary addressed the Sub-Committee.

The applicant's legal representative addressed the Sub-Committee on behalf of the applicant and responded to questions from Members.

The applicant summed up and at 10.25am all parties withdrew from the meeting to allow Members to deliberate the application in private.

After re-convening at 10.35am, the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

RESOLVED:

That the application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence be granted subject to a written warning to remain on file for a period of six months, as the applicant was deemed to be a fit and proper person.

7 Application for the ongoing suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence.

The Licensing Officer confirmed that item number 8 on the agenda had been postponed and the application would be considered at a later date.