



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

**Date**        **Wednesday 25 November 2015**  
**Time**        **10.00 am**  
**Venue**       **Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham**

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### **Business**

#### **Part A**

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Substitute Members
3. Declarations of interest, (if any)
4. Minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2015 (Pages 1 - 2)
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 Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver (Pages 3 - 24)
8. Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver (Pages 25 - 42)
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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To: **The Members of the General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (3)**

Councillor C Carr (Chairman)

Councillors P Crathorne, D Hicks, A Surtees and A Willis

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**DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (3)** held in Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 14 October 2015 at 10.00 am**

**Present:**

**Councillor B Glass (Chairman)**

**Members of the Committee:**

Councillors D Bell, D Hicks, A Surtees and A Willis

**1 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2 Substitute Members**

There were no substitute Members.

**3 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4 Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 2 September 2015 were agreed as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

**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 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 and Private Hire Driver**

The Chairman welcomed the applicant to the meeting and introductions were made.

Consideration was given to the report of the Licensing Team Leader which requested the Sub-Committee to consider and determine the suitability of the Licence Holder to continue to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver (for copy see file of Minutes).

The Customer Services Officer and a representative from Durham Constabulary provided background information in respect of the matters detailed in the report and responded to questions.

The Licence Holder's representative then addressed the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 10.25am. After re-convening at 10.35am the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:**

That the Licence Holder be issued with a final written warning.

**7 Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver**

The Chairman welcomed the applicant to the meeting and introductions were made.

Consideration was given to the Licensing Team Leader which requested the Sub-Committee to consider and determine the 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 and a representative from Durham Constabulary provided background information in respect of the matters detailed in the report and responded to questions.

The Licence Holder then addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions from Members.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 10.50am. After re-convening at 11.10am the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:**

That the Licence Holder's Hackney Carriage Driver Licence be revoked as he was not deemed to be a 'fit and proper' person.

On leaving the meeting the applicant declared that 2 years ago he had made a conscious decision not to declare his convictions on his renewal application forms.

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

## **Agenda Item 7**

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