



## **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)**

**Date**        **Wednesday 18 January 2017**  
**Time**        **2.00 pm**  
**Venue**       **Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham**

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### **Business**

#### **Part A**

**Items during which the Press and Public are welcome to attend.  
Members of the Public can ask questions with the Chairman's  
agreement.**

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Substitutes
3. Minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2016 (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. Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver (Pages 7 - 26)
8. Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver (Pages 27 - 48)
9. Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver (Pages 49 - 74)
10. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration

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Durham  
10 January 2017

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

Councillor L Marshall (Chairman)

Councillors J Bell, D Boyes, K Hopper and T Nearney

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**DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)** held in Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 7 December 2016 at 2.00 pm**

**Present:**

**Councillor L Marshall (Chairman)**

**Members of the Committee:**

Councillors J Bell, P Crathorne and T Nearney

**1 Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Blakey.

**2 Substitutes**

There were no substitutes in attendance.

**3 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2016 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**4 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**5 Any resolution relating to the exclusion of the public during the discussion of items containing exempt information**

That under Section 100(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 to the said Act.

**6 Application for the Grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence**

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

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director, Adult and Health Services which requested the Sub-Committee to consider and determine the application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence (for copy see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report to Members and the Licensing Enforcement Officer presented a statement. The Licence Holder and Members were given the opportunity to ask questions.

A representative for Durham Constabulary provided Members with information with regards to matters as outlined in the report. The Licence Holder and Members were given the opportunity to ask questions.

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

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 2.20 pm and after reconvening at 2.25 pm the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

**Resolved:**

That the Private Hire Driver Licence be granted as the applicant was deemed to be a fit and proper person.

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

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

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director, Adult and Health Services which requested the Sub-Committee to consider and determine the suitability of the Licence Holder to continue to be licenced as a Hackney Carriage Driver (for copy see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report to Members and the Licensing Enforcement Officer presented a statement. The Licence Holder and Members were given the opportunity to ask questions.

A representative for Durham Constabulary provided Members with information with regards to matters as outlined in the report. The Licence Holder and Members were given the opportunity to ask questions.

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

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 2.35 pm and after reconvening at 2.45 pm the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

**Resolved:**

That no further action be taken as the Licence Holder was deemed to be a fit and proper person.

## **8 Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver**

The Licence Holder had requested an adjournment via the Licensing Team Leader. Members considered the reasons given by the applicant to request an adjournment were sufficient to reschedule to an alternative date.

### **Resolved:**

That the application be adjourned until the next available Sub-Committee.

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