

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 February 2019 at 1.30 pm**

Present:

Councillor P Crathorne (Chair)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors M Clarke, A Willis and D Wood

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Batey.

2 Substitute Members

There were no substitute Members in attendance.

3 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2019 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 ongoing suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver

The Chairman welcomed the Licence Holder, his representative, and his supporter to the meeting and introductions took place.

The Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director of Adult Services to determine the ongoing suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver (for copy see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and the Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the Licensing Enforcement Team Report. Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions following both presentations, as well as the Licence Holder and his representative.

The Licensing Team Leader confirmed that Durham Constabulary had nothing to add with regards to matters outlined in the report.

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

At 14.45 p.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and at 15.05 p.m. the Chairman delivered the decision.

Resolved:

That the Licence Holder be subject to a written warning for a period of three months.

7 Application for the ongoing suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver

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The Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director of Adult Services to determine the ongoing suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver (for copy see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and the Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the Licensing Enforcement Team Report. Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions following both presentations, as well as the Licence Holder.

The Licensing Team Leader confirmed that Durham Constabulary had nothing to add with regards to matters outlined in the report.

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

At 15.25 p.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and at 15.40 p.m. the Chairman delivered the decision.

Resolved:

That the Licence be suspended for a period of four months.

8 Application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant and his supporter to the meeting and introductions took place.

The Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director of Adult Services with regards to an application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence (for copy see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and the Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the Licensing Enforcement Team Report. Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions following both presentations, as well as the Applicant.

The Licensing Team Leader confirmed that Durham Constabulary had nothing to add with regards to matters outlined in the report.

The Applicant was invited to address the Sub-Committee and he responded to questions from Members and Officers.

The Applicants supporter addressed the Sub-Committee in support of the application.

At 16.10 p.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and at 16.15 p.m. the Chairman delivered the decision.

Resolved:

That the Hackney Carriage Driver Licence be granted as the Applicant was deemed to be a fit and proper person.