

## **DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)** held in Committee Room 2 - County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 5 June 2019 at 10.00 am**

### **Present:**

**Councillor J Maitland (Chair)**

### **Members of the Committee:**

Councillors A Willis and D Wood

### **Also Present:**

G Proud – Council's Solicitor

H Johnson – Licensing Team Leader

M Haigh – Licensing Enforcement Officer

### **1 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **2 Substitutes**

There were no substitute Members in attendance.

### **3 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

### **4 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **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 involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

## **6 Consideration of an Application to be Licensed as a Private Hire Driver**

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

The Committee considered the report of the Corporate Director of Regeneration and Local Services to determine the suitability of the Applicant to be licensed as a Private Hire Driver (for copy of report, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report and provided Members with a letter to confirm the Applicants employment if he was successful in obtaining his Private Hire Driver Licence.

The Licensing Enforcement Officer was in attendance and outlined the Licensing Enforcement report. Members and the Applicant were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

Durham Constabulary were unable to attend the meeting but had indicated that their records matched the details provided in the report.

The Licence Holder was invited to address the Sub-Committee and Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions.

After Summing up, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 10.25 am. After re-convening at 10.30 am, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:** That the Applicant be granted a Private Hire Driver Licence as he was considered to be a fit and proper person.