

## DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (3)** held in Committee Room 2 - County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 3 July 2019 at 10.00 am**

**Present:**

**Councillor P Crathorne (Chair)**

**Members of the Committee:**

Councillors S Durham, T Tucker and D Wood

### **1 Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Batey.

### **2 Substitute Members**

There were no substitute Members in attendance.

### **3 Declarations of interest, if any.**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **4 Minutes of the meeting held on 3 April 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 April 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

### **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 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Private Hire Driver**

The Chair introduced the Licence Holder to the meeting and introductions took place.

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

The Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the reports Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions. The Licence Holder was given the opportunity to ask questions.

A representative from Durham Constabulary confirmed that there was no further information to present to the Sub-Committee.

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

At 10.25 a.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and at 10.40 a.m. the Chair delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

### **Resolved**

That the Private Hire Driver Licence be suspended for a period of two months.

## **7 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver**

The Chair introduced the Licence Holder to the meeting and introductions took place.

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

The Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the reports, following which, Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions. The Licence Holder was given the opportunity to ask questions.

A representative from Durham Constabulary confirmed that there was no further information to present to the Sub-Committee.

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

At 10.55 a.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and at 11.00 a.m. the Chair delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

## **Resolved**

That the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Licences be suspended for a period of two months.

### **8 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver**

The Chair introduced the Licence Holder to the meeting and introductions took place.

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

The Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the reports Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions. The Licence Holder was given the opportunity to ask questions.

A representative from Durham Constabulary confirmed that there was no further information to present to the Sub-Committee.

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

At 11.20 a.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and at 11.25 a.m. the Chair delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

## **Resolved**

That the Hackney Carriage Driver Licence be suspended with immediate effect.

### **9 Consideration of an application to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver**

The Chair introduced the Licence Holder to the meeting and introductions took place.

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

The Licensing Enforcement Team Leader presented the reports Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions. The Applicant was given the opportunity to ask questions.

A representative from Durham Constabulary confirmed that there was no further information to present to the Sub-Committee.

The Applicant addressed the Sub-Committee and then responded to questions from Members and Officers.

At 11.45 a.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and at 11.55 a.m. the Chair delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

### **Resolved**

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