

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)** held in Council Chamber - County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 4 September 2019 at 10.00 am**

Present:

Councillor C Carr (Chair)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors J Bell and J Blakey

1 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received by Councillors J Maitland, A Reed and T Tucker.

2 Substitutes

Councillor J Blakey substituted for Councillor J Maitland.

3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4 Declarations of Interest (if any)

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(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 the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver

The Chair welcomed the Licence Holder and his representative to the meeting and introductions took place.

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

The Licensing Enforcement Officer presented the report and the report, following which Members and Officers were given the opportunity to ask questions. The Licence Holder's representative was given the opportunity to ask questions.

The Licence Holder's representative was invited to address the Sub-Committee and they responded to questions from Members and Officers. At 10.30 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 Licence Holder be subject to a verbal warning.

7 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Private Hire Driver

The Chair welcomed the Licence Holder and his supporter to the meeting and introductions took place.

The Licence Holder requested the meeting be adjourned in order for him to seek legal advice. He had been unable to meet with his legal representative due to a period of leave.

At 10.50 a.m. the Chair delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

Resolved:

That the application be adjourned until 2 October.

8 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver

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

The Licence Holder was invited to address the Sub-Committee and they responded to questions from Members and Officers. At 11.30 a.m. the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private and at 11.50 a.m. the Chair delivered the Sub-Committees decision.

Resolved:

That the Licence Holder be subject to a 12 month written warning.