

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)**
held remotely via Microsoft Teams on **Monday 6 July 2020 at 1.30 pm**

Present:

Councillor L Marshall (Chair)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors B Kellett, I McLean, D Stoker and A Willis

Also Present:

C Hazell (Council's Solicitor)

M Haigh (Licensing Enforcement Officer)

1 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2 Substitutes

There were no substitute Members.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 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.

5 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver

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

The Sub-Committee considered the report of the Corporate Director of Neighbourhoods and Climate Change that asked Members to consider the ongoing suitability of the Licence Holder to continue to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver (for copy of report, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Enforcement Officer presented the report and Members and the Licence Holder were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

Durham Constabulary were unable to attend the meeting but had indicated that they had no representation to put forward.

The Licence Holder was invited to address the Sub-Committee and Members heard from his manager who he had invited to join him in the meeting. The Licence Holder then responded to questions from Members and Officers.

After all parties had been given the opportunity to make a closing statement, the Licence Holder was advised that the Sub-Committee would retire to deliberate the application in private and the Licence Holder would be notified of their decision later today.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 2.05 pm.

Resolved: That the Licence Holder be issued with a written warning for a six-month period.