

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)** held remotely via Microsoft Teams on **Wednesday 28 October 2020 at 1.30 pm**

Present:

Councillor C Carr (Chair)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors J Bell, J Maitland, D Stoker and D Wood

Also Present:

J Errington (Senior Committee Services Officer)
S Grigor (Council's Solicitor)
Nicola Anderson (Licensing Enforcement Officer)
Sgt C Dickenson (Durham Constabulary)

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 joint Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver

The Chairman welcomed the Licence Holder to the meeting and introductions took place.

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 Joint Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver (for copy of report, see file of minutes).

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

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

A representative from Durham Constabulary was in attendance and provided Members with information held on their systems. Members and the Licence Holder were given the opportunity to ask questions.

After all parties had been given the opportunity of 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 that day.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 2.15 pm.

Resolved: That the Licence Holder be given a three-month suspension on his joint Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence with immediate effect.