

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)** held in **Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham** on **Monday 21 March 2022** at 1.30 pm

Present:

Councillor D Brown (Chair)

Members of the Sub-Committee:

Councillors B Coult, J Griffiths and A Watson

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor T Duffy.

2 Substitutes

No substitute members were in attendance.

3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 February 2022 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

Resolved:

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 to the meeting and introductions were made.

The Council's Solicitor explained the procedure.

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

The Licensing Enforcement Officer presented the report and the parties were given the opportunity to ask questions.

The Licence Holder then addressed the Sub-Committee and the parties asked the Licence Holder questions.

After all parties were given the opportunity to make a closing statement, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application, in private, at 1.40 pm. After re-convening at 1.50pm, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

Resolved:

That the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver be given a written warning for a period of 12 months.

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After all parties were given the opportunity to make a closing statement, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application, in private, at 2.10 pm. After re-convening at 2.20 pm, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

Resolved:

That the Hackney Carriage Driver be issued with a written warning for a period of 12 months.