

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)

At a Meeting of the **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (1)** in Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham on **Monday 17 October 2022** at **1.30 pm**

Present:

Councillor D Brown (Chair)

Members of the Sub-Committee:

Councillors J Griffiths and B Kellett (substitute for O Gunn)

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2 Substitutes

Councillor B Kellett attended for Councillor O Gunn.

3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2022 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4 Declarations of interest

No interests were declared.

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 Sub-Committee considered a report of the Corporate Director of Neighbourhoods and Climate Change as to 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 responded to questions from the Sub-Committee.

The Licence Holder then addressed the Sub-Committee and the parties were given the opportunity to ask questions.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the matter, in private, at 1.50 pm.

After re-convening at 1.55 pm, the Chair delivered the decision of the Sub-Committee.

Resolved:

That no action be taken.

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

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The Licence Holder's representative then addressed the Sub-Committee, producing copies of references as additional information. It was noted by the Sub-Committee that the references were unverified. The Licence Holder and the Licence Holder's representative responded to questions from the parties.

Closing statements were made and the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the matter in private at 2.50 pm.

After re-convening at 3.00 pm, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision

Resolved:

That the Licence Holder be issued with a written warning for a period of six-months.