

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)**
held in Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 17**
January 2024 at 1.30 pm

Present:

Councillor L Mavin (Chair)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors L Brown, G Hutchinson, B Kellett and R Potts

Also Present:

Ms F Swift (Council's Solicitor)

Mr M Haigh (Licensing Enforcement Officer)

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors W Stelling and D Sutton-Lloyd.

2 Substitute Members

Councillors G Hutchinson and B Kellett were in attendance as substitute Members.

3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2023 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 item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1,2, 3 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the said Act.

6 Consideration of the Ongoing Suitability of a Joint Driver

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

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

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

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

After all parties were given the opportunity to make a closing statement, the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the matter in private, at 2.00 pm. After re-convening at 2.15 pm, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

Resolved: That no action be taken.

7 Consideration of an Application to be Licensed as a Private Hire Driver

That consideration of the application be postponed until a later date pending receipt of further information.