# **DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

# At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)** held in Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham on **Wednesday 16 April 2014 at 2.00 pm**

## Present:

# **Councillor C Carr (Chairman)**

# Members of the Committee:

Councillors E Bell, P Crathorne and D Stoker

#### Also Present:

C Greenlay (Principal Solicitor), K Monaghan (Senior Licensing Officer) and PCSO M Haigh (Durham Constabulary)

### 1 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

#### 2 Substitutes

There were no substitute members.

#### 3 Minutes

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 5 and 10 March 2014 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 4 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 5 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 the Local Government Act 1972.

## 6 Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage Driver Agenda Item No.9

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

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services which requested the Sub-Committee to consider and determine the suitability of the Licence Holder to continue to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage Driver (for copy see file of minutes).

Durham Constabulary provided background information in respect of the matters detailed in the report and indicated that they had concerns but no objections to the application.

The Licence Holder addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 2.25 pm. After reconvening at 2.30 pm, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:** The Licence Holder was considered to be a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence and no further action was taken.

#### 7 Application for the Ongoing Suitability of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Agenda Item No.7

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

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services which requested the Sub-Committee to consider and determine the suitability of the Licence Holder to continue to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver (for copy see file of minutes).

The Licence Holder addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 2.50 pm. After reconvening 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 12 month period.

# 8 Application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence Agenda Item No.8

The Applicant was welcomed to the meeting and introductions were made.

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services which requested the Sub-Committee to consider and determine the suitability of the Applicant to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence (for copy see file of minutes).

The Applicant addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions from Members of the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 3.15 pm. After reconvening at 3.20 pm, the Chair delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:** The Applicant was considered to be a fit and proper person and was granted a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence.