

## **DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

At a Special Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)** held in Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham on **Tuesday 19 September 2017 at 10.00 am**

### **Present:**

**Councillor C Carr (Chairman)**

### **Members of the Committee:**

Councillors L Brown, C Hampson, D Hicks and M Wilson

### **Also Present:**

S Buston (Solicitor)

H Johnson (Licensing Team Leader)

#### **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 to the said Act.

#### **5 Application for the Grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence**

The Chairman welcomed the Applicant and his Prospective Employer to the meeting and introductions were made.

The Committee considered the report of the Corporate Director Adult and Health Services which requested Members to determine the suitability of the Applicant to be licensed as a Private Hire Driver (for copy of report, see file of minutes).

The Licensing Team Leader presented the enforcement report. Members and the Applicant were given the opportunity to ask questions of the Officer.

Durham Constabulary were unable to attend the meeting but had provided a statement containing any information held on their records and Police National Computer.

The Applicant was invited to address the Sub-Committee and respond to questions.

All parties were invited to sum up then the Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 10.30 am. After re-convening at 10.40 am the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

**Resolved:** (i) That the Applicant be granted a Private Hire Driver Licence as he was considered to be a fit and proper person.

(ii) That the Applicant be issued with a 6 months written warning.