

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee held on 16 February 2022 at 7.00 pm**

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**Present:** Councillors Gary Collins (Chair), Qaisar Abbas and Shane Ralph

**In attendance:** Applicant Minute Number 19 (for this hearing only)  
Lois Bland, Legal Support Officer  
Elizabeth Cox, Licensing Officer  
Paula Parrott, Licensing Officer  
Kenna-Victoria Healey, Senior Democratic Services Officer

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Before the start of the Meeting, all present were advised that the meeting was being audio recording.

The Chair stated that there was a time limit for the use of the Beehive venue which was until 9.30pm. He said that if the items on the agenda were not concluded by 9.30pm, the meeting would be adjourned and would recommence at the next Licensing Sub-Committee meeting in March 2022.

As the Licensing Sub-Committee meeting on 15 December 2021 had been postponed to the 16 February 2022 meeting, the Chair opened the agenda for 15 December 2021. He stated that the items on the agenda had been rearranged for 16 February 2022 meeting. He closed the agenda for the 15 December 2021 meeting and went on to open the agenda for the 16 February 2022 meeting.

### **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

Members of the Sub-Committee agreed that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that they could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 (Information relating to any individual) of Schedule 12A of that Act

#### **17. Items of Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.

#### **18. Declarations of Interests**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **19. New Application For A Private Hire Driver Licence**

The Chair asked all parties if they had any requests, and it was noted that there were no requests

The Licensing Officer introduced the report as outlined within the agenda on pages 5 to 16.

Members and the applicant were provided the chance to ask questions of the Licensing Officer.

The applicant was then provided with the opportunity to present her case.

Members and the Licensing Officer were given an opportunity to ask questions to the applicant.

The Chair enquired if there were any further questions for applicant, before moving on to closing summaries.

The Licensing Officer provided a short summary to the Sub-Committee during which she stated the Sub-Committee must decide whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence.

The applicant was asked to present a summary of her case to Members; during which she apologised to the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee adjourned at 7.22pm for deliberation and were accompanied by the Legal Advisor and the Democratic Services Officer.

The meeting reconvened at 7.42pm.

**RESOLVED:**

**The Sub-Committee agree to grant the Private Hire Driver's Licence**

**20. Review Of A Hackney Carriage Private Hire Driver Licence**

The Chair asked all parties if they had any requests, and it was noted that there were no requests. The Chair advised that the applicant had confirmed he was not going to attend the hearing and continued in his absence.

The Licensing Officer introduced the report as outlined within the agenda on pages 17 to 40.

Members were provided the chance to ask questions of the Licensing Officer.

The Chair enquired if there were any further questions, before moving on to closing summaries.

The Sub-Committee adjourned at 7.51pm for deliberation and were accompanied by the Legal Advisor and the Democratic Services Officer.

The meeting reconvened at 7.53pm.

**RESOLVED:**

**The Sub-Committee agree to revoke the Private Hire Driver's Licence**

## **21. Review Of A Hackney Carriage Driver Licence**

The Chair asked all parties if they had any requests, and it was noted that there were no requests. The Chair advised that the applicant had confirmed he was not going to attend the hearing and continued in his absence.

The Licensing Officer introduced the report as outlined within the agenda on pages 41 to 62.

Members and were provided the chance to ask questions of the Licensing Officer. There were none.

The Chair enquired if there were any further questions, before moving on to closing summaries.

The Sub-Committee adjourned at 7.58pm for deliberation and were accompanied by the Legal Advisor and the Democratic Services Officer.

The meeting reconvened at 8.00pm.

### **RESOLVED:**

**The Sub-Committee agree to revoke the Private Hire Driver's Licence.**

**The meeting finished at 8.01 pm**

Approved as a true and correct record

**CHAIR**

**DATE**

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