

GENERAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2025

Present: Cllrs Derek Beer, Sarah Williams and Jill Haynes

Officers present (for all or part of the meeting):

Roy Keepax (Senior Licensing Officer), Hannah Massey (Lawyer - Regulatory), John Miles (Democratic Services Officer) and Louis Wicks (Apprentice Democratic Services Officer).

23. Election of Chair and Statement for the Procedure of the Meeting

Proposed by Cllr Williams, seconded by Cllr Haynes.

Decision: that Cllr Beer be elected as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

24. Apologies

No apologies for absence.

25. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest.

26. Urgent Items

There are no urgent items.

27. Exempt Business

Proposed by Cllr Haynes, seconded by Cllr Williams.

Decision: That the press and the public be excluded for the following item(s) in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the meaning of paragraph 3 of schedule 12 A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

28. Taxi Driver Application

The Sub-Committee considered a report to determine whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a private hire licence after offences were revealed during the application process.

The hearing re-commenced following the 23rd September as the applicant was unable to attend the previous hearing due to childcare commitments.

The Senior Licensing Officer presented the report.

The applicant did not attend the hearing.

The Sub-Committee decided to continue with the hearing in the absence of the applicant.

All parties were given the opportunity to ask questions of each other and to sum up.

Decision: that the Private Hire Licence be refused.

29. **Taxi Driver Application**

The Sub-Committee considered a report to determine whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a combined hackney carriage licence after offences were revealed during the application process.

The Senior Licensing Officer presented the report.

The applicant was subsequently invited to put their case forward and all parties were given the opportunity to ask questions of each other and to sum up.

Decision: that the Combined Hackney Carriage Licence be granted.

30. **Taxi Driver Application**

The Sub-Committee considered a report to determine whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a private hire driver licence after offences were revealed during the application process.

The Senior Licensing Officer presented the report.

The applicant was subsequently invited to put their case forward and all parties were given the opportunity to ask questions of each other and to sum up.

Decision: that the Private Hire Licence be refused.

Duration of meeting: 1.00 - 2.30 pm

Chairman

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