

GENERAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2025

Present: Cllrs Derek Beer, Jane Somper and Andrew Starr

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

Lara Altree (Senior Lawyer - Regulatory), Roy Keepax (Senior Licensing Officer), Joshua Kennedy (Democratic Services Officer) and Louis Wicks (Democratic Services Officer Apprentice)

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

Proposed by Cllr Starr and seconded by Cllr Somper.

Decision: Cllr Beer elected as chair for the meeting.

32. Apologies

There were no apologies.

33. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of interest.

34. Urgent Items

There were no urgent items.

35. Exempt Business

Proposed by Cllr Somper and seconded by Cllr Starr.

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).

36. Taxi Driver Application 1

The Sub-Committee considered a report to determine whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a combined Private Hire and 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: To refuse the application to be licensed as a Combined Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver.

Duration of meeting: 11.57 am - 12.34 pm

Chairman

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