

GENERAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2026

Present: Cllrs Emma Parker, Jane Somper and Andrew Starr

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

Roy Keepax (Senior Licensing Officer), Joshua Kennedy (Democratic and Governance Officer) and Hannah Massey (Lawyer - Regulatory)

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

It was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Somper.

Decision: That Cllr Starr be elected as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

111. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

112. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

113. Urgent Items

There were no urgent items.

114. Exempt Business

It was proposed by Cllr Parker and seconded by Cllr Somper.

Decision: That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public from the meeting for the business specified in item(s) No 6 because it is likely that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph(s) 1 of Part 1 of schedule 12A to the Act and the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information to the public. The public and the press will be asked to leave the meeting whilst the item of business is considered. (Any live streaming will end at this juncture).

115. Taxi Driver Application 1

The Sub-Committee considered a report to determine whether the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a private hire licence.

The Senior Licensing Officer presented the report and the sub-committee were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Decision: To REFUSE the application to be licensed as a private hire driver.

116. Taxi Driver Application 2

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 an offence was revealed.

The Senior Licensing Officer presented the report and the sub-committee were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Decision: To GRANT the Combined Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licence.

Duration of meeting: 10.30 - 11.56 am

Chairman

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