

GENERAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 21 MAY 2026

Present: Cllrs Les Fry, Emma Parker and Derek Beer.

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

Roy Keepax (Senior Licensing Officer), Hannah Massey (Lawyer - Regulatory), John Miles (Democratic Services Officer) and Kathryn Miller (Senior Licensing Officer)

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

Proposed by Cllr Beer, seconded by Cllr Fry.

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

83. Apologies

An apology was received from Cllr Somper.

84. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest.

85. Urgent Items

There were no urgent items.

86. Exempt Business

Proposed by Cllr Beer, seconded by Cllr Fry.

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).

87. Taxi Driver Application 1

The Sub-Committee considered a report to determine whether the driver was a fit and proper person to continue to hold a combined hackney carriage and private hire driver licence, following a receipt of a complaint.

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 REVOKE the applicants combined hackney carriage and private hire driver licence with immediate effect in the interests of public safety.

Duration of meeting: 10.00 - 11.00 am

Chairman

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