

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Licensing Sub-Committee (Regulatory)

Meeting held 14 August 2023

PRESENT: Councillors David Barker (Chair), Henry Nottage and Ann Woolhouse

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Vickie Priestley and Cliff Woodcraft. Councillor Sioned-Mair Richards attended the meeting as a reserve Member, but was not required to stay.

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

- 2.1 **RESOLVED:** That the public and press be excluded from the meeting before discussion takes place on item 5 on the agenda (item 4 of these minutes) on the grounds that, if the public and press were present during the transaction of such business, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4. HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING - INDIVIDUAL CASES

- 4.1 The Chief Licensing Officer submitted details in respect of four cases relating to hackney carriage and private hire licensing.
- 4.2 The licence holder in Case No.108/23 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The applicant in Case No.109/23 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No.110/23 attended the hearing with two representative, and they all addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 The applicant in Case No.111/23 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.6 **RESOLVED:** That, after consideration of the information contained in the case papers, and the information now reported and, where relevant, circulated either prior to the meeting, but after publication of the agenda, or at the meeting, the

cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Licence Type</u>	<u>Decision</u>
108/23	Review of a Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence	The licence holder be issued with a written warning with regard to his future conduct, such warning to remain live for two years, and should there be any further offences incurred during this time, the licence will be brought back to the Sub-Committee.
109/23	Application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that, in light of the circumstances now reported, the Sub-Committee does not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence.
110/23	Application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	(a) Grant a licence for the term of 12 months, as requested, on the grounds that the Sub-Committee considers the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence; (b) the applicant be required to undertake the level 2 course 'Introduction to the Role of the Professional Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver' before the expiry of the term of the licence; and (c) the applicant be required to undertake the City Taxi First Aid Training Course and the City Taxi Passenger Assistance Training Course, and present evidence of completing both of these courses to the Licensing Service in a timely manner.
111/23	Application to be exempted from certain conditions of a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Refuse to grant an exemption on the grounds that the applicant has not provided sufficient evidence to convince the Sub-Committee that there are exceptional reasons to apply licence exemptions for this vehicle.