# SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

## **Licensing Sub-Committee**

# Meeting held 8 September 2015

**PRESENT:** Councillors Geoff Smith (Chair) and Anne Murphy

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### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 An apology for absence was received from Councillor Zoe Sykes.

## 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 4 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 three cases relating to hackney carriage and private hire licensing.
- 4.2 The applicant in Case No. 61/15 attended the hearing with his brother and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The applicant in Case No. 62/15 attended the hearing with a friend and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No. 63/15 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 RESOLVED: That the cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

Case No.	<u>Licence Type</u>	<u>Decision</u>
61/15	Application for a new Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that the Sub-Committee does not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence in the light of (a) the offences and convictions now reported and (b) the responses to the questions raised.
62/15	Application for a new Hackney	Grant a licence for the normal term of nine months and, on the first renewal, authority be

	Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	given to grant the applicant a 12 month licence and, on any other subsequent renewals, an 18 month licence, subject to there being no cause for concern.
63/15	Application to renew a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Grant a licence for a period of six months on the grounds that the Sub-Committee considers that there are exceptional circumstances in the case, specifically relating to the service history and excellent condition of the vehicle, to warrant a departure from the current policy relating to the age limit of vehicles.