

Licensing Sub-Committee (Regulatory)

Meeting held 15 August 2022

**PRESENT:** Councillors Jayne Dunn (Chair), Dawn Dale and Cliff Woodcraft

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

1.1 No apologies for absence were received.

**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 applicant in Case No. 106/22 did not attend the hearing, and no prior notice had been received from him. It was agreed to consider the case in his absence.

4.3 The applicant in Case No. 115/22 attended the hearing with two representatives, and they all addressed the Sub-Committee.

4.4 The licence holder in Case No. 104/22 attended the hearing with two representatives, and they all addressed the Sub-Committee.

4.5 The applicant in Case No. 116/22 attended the hearing with a representative, and they both 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>
106/22	Application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that, in the light of the offence now reported, the Sub-Committee did not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence.
115/22	Application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Grant a licence for 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, subject to him first undertaking and passing the Driving Test.
104/22	Review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Immediately revoke the licence under Section 61 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, as amended by Section 52 of the Road Safety Act 2006, on the grounds that, in view of the incident now reported, the Sub-Committee does not consider the licence holder to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence.
116/22	Application to Extend a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Extend the licence for the shorter period of six months, on the grounds that the applicant has provided sufficient evidence to convince the Sub-Committee that there are exceptional reasons to deviate from the current policy on the age limit of vehicles.