

MINUTES OF: LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (DRIVERS)

Date of Meeting: Wednesday 23rd September 2026

Present: Councillors Gill (Chair), Looker and Hodgkiss

**In Attendance: Yasmin Ahmed, Principal Legal Officer
Ellie Garnett, Legal Officer
Marcus Asquith, Public Protection Officer
2 Applicants
1 Licence Holder
1 Licence Holder's Representatives**

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items of business.

4. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Resolved:

That the public and press be excluded from the following items of business under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 since they involved the disclosure of exempt information under Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

5. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE FOR HG (ITEM C1)

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the Sub-Committee.

The Public Protection Officer outlined to all persons present the relevant information, which applied to all confidential applications.

The Public Protection Officer presented the report and detailed the circumstances that had brought the Applicant before the Sub-Committee.

The Applicant presented their case to the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee members asked questions for clarification purposes only.

The Applicant and Public Protection Officer left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to come to a decision.

The Applicant and Public Protection Officer re-entered the room to enable the Sub-Committee to advise of their decision.

Resolved:

That the application be refused under Section 59 (1) of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976. The Sub-Committee did not consider the Applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence.

The Applicant was informed of their right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

The Applicant would be informed of the reason for the Council's decision in writing.

Reason for Decision

The matters had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions, the conditions attached to the Policy for the Licensing of: Hackney Carriage Drivers and Vehicles, Private Hire Operators, Drivers and Vehicles, the conditions attached to the Enforcement Policy - Hackney Carriage Drivers and Vehicles, Private Hire Drivers, Operators and Vehicles and the Sub-Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

6. REPORT TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE FOR SR (ITEM C2)

The Chair welcomed the Applicant to the Sub-Committee.

The Public Protection Officer outlined to all persons present the relevant information, which applied to all confidential applications.

The Public Protection Officer presented the report and detailed the circumstances that had brought the Applicant before the Sub-Committee.

The Applicant presented their case to the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee members asked questions for clarification purposes only.

The Applicant and Public Protection Officer left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to come to a decision.

The Applicant and Public Protection Officer re-entered the room to enable the Sub-Committee to advise of their decision.

Resolved:

The Applicant's Hackney Carriage driver's licence be granted under Section 61(1) of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976. The Committee considers that the Applicant is a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage driver's licence.

The Applicant would be informed of the reason for the Council's decision in writing.

Reason for Decision

The matters had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions, the conditions attached to the Policy for the Licensing of: Hackney Carriage Drivers and Vehicles, Private Hire Operators, Drivers and Vehicles, the conditions attached to the Enforcement Policy - Hackney Carriage Drivers and Vehicles, Private Hire Drivers, Operators and Vehicles and the Sub-Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

7. REPORT TO CONSIDER THE REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE FOR SM (ITEM C3i) & REPORT TO CONSIDER THE REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE LICENCE FOR SM (ITEM C3ii)

The Chair welcomed the Licence Holder and their representative to the Sub-Committee.

The Public Protection Officer outlined to all persons present the relevant information, which applied to all confidential applications.

The Public Protection Officer presented the reports and detailed the circumstances that had brought the Licence Holder before the Sub-Committee.

The Licence Holder presented their case to the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee members asked questions for clarification purposes only.

The Licence Holder, their representative and Public Protection Officer left the room to enable the Sub-Committee to come to a decision.

The Licence Holder, their representative and Public Protection Officer re-entered the room to enable the Sub-Committee to advise of their decision.

Resolved:

The Licence Holder's Hackney Carriage driver's licence be revoked under Section 60(1) of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976. The Committee considers that the Licence Holder is no longer a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage driver's licence.

The Licence Holder's Hackney Carriage vehicle licence be revoked under Section 61(1) of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976.

The Licence Holder was informed of their right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

The Licence Holder would be informed of the reason for the Council's decision in writing.

Reason for Decision

The matters had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions, the conditions attached to the Policy for the Licensing of: Hackney Carriage Drivers and Vehicles, Private Hire Operators, Drivers and Vehicles, the conditions attached to the Enforcement Policy - Hackney Carriage Drivers and Vehicles, Private Hire Drivers, Operators and Vehicles and the Sub-Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

The meeting concluded at 13:20pm

Chair:

Date:
