

GENERAL LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 2 November 2021

PRESENT – Councillors Crumbie, Donoghue, C L B Hughes, B Jones and Snedker

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE – Amy Wennington (Principal Lawyer (Litigation)), Allison Hill (Democratic Officer) and Brian Murray (Assistant Licensing Manager)

LGS5 ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

RESOLVED - That Councillor B Jones be elected Chair for the purpose of this meeting.

LGS6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest reported at this meeting.

LGS7 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED – That, pursuant to Sections 100A (4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the ensuing item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in exclusion paragraphs 1 and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

LGS8 REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (EXCLUSION PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 7)

Ref No. 3/21

The Group Director of Services submitted a report (previously circulated) to give consideration to a review of a private hire driver and to confirm the suspension of the licence of a private hire driver carried out by the Licensing Department in light of medical information received and subsequent revocation of the drivers' DVLA licence.

The driver attended the meeting and responded to Members questions in relation to the above.

In reaching their decision, Members took into consideration the Council's Licensing Policy, which sets out the Council's stance on the Relevance of Convictions, Cautions and Endorseable Fixed Penalties in assessing whether an applicant is a fit and proper person; the Council's Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licensing Policy and Procedures; Section 61(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976; and Section 52 of the Road Safety Act 2006

After careful consideration Members decided to confirm the suspension as the driver could not drive any vehicle as a result of the DVLA driving licence being revoked and they did not meet the Group 2 medical standard (as defined in the DVLA Current Medical Standards of Fitness to Drive).

RESOLVED – That the suspension of the private hire driver licence be confirmed pending

further information being provided in relation to the driver's DVLA driving licence and medical condition.