

## HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Thursday, 16 March 2023

5.30 pm

Committee Rooms 1-2,  
City Hall

Membership: Councillors Pat Vaughan (Chair), Loraine Woolley (Vice-Chair), Alan Briggs, David Clarkson and Adrianna McNulty

Substitute members: Councillor Biff Beane

Officers attending: Becky Scott (Legal Services Manager), Democratic Services and Will Allen (Licensing Officer)

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### AGENDA

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SECTION A	Pages
1. Confirmation of Minutes - 26 January 2023	3 - 4
2. Declarations of Interest	
Please note that, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, when declaring interests members must disclose the existence and nature of the interest, and whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) or personal and/or pecuniary.	
3. Exclusion of Press and Public	
You are asked to resolve that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item(s) because it is likely that if members of the press or public were present, there would be disclosure of 'exempt information'	
4. To Interview an Applicant who has previously had a Private Hire Drivers Re-License Application Refused - Item Number 07/2022	5 - 14
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**Present:** Councillor Pat Vaughan (*in the Chair*),  
Councillor Loraine Woolley, Councillor Alan Briggs,  
Councillor David Clarkson and Councillor  
Adrianna McNulty

**Apologies for Absence:** None.

**62. Confirmation of Minutes - 6 October 2022**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 October 2022 be confirmed.

**63. Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were received.

**64. Exclusion of Press and Public**

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item(s) of business because it is likely that if members of the public were present there would be a disclosure to them of 'exempt information' as defined by Section 100I and Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

**65. To Interview an Applicant who has Previously had a Private Hire Drivers Licence Revoked - Item Number: 01/2023**

The Licensing Officer:

- a) stated that in September 2022 the applicant applied for a new Private Hire Drivers Licence
- b) highlighted that the applicant had previously held a Private Hire Drivers Licence from February 2018 until March 2020 when his licence was revoked by the sub-committee
- c) explained that a new DBS check was requested which confirmed that the applicant had a clean criminal record and DVLA check which revealed that the applicant had no valid criminal endorsements
- d) the applicant was required to complete a knowledge test and DIP test, both of which he passed on his first attempt.

The applicant confirmed to the Sub-Committee that he had been told in a letter that he could take legal advice about this matter and also that he could bring an interpreter to the hearing, however had chosen to come alone. The Sub-Committee asked the applicant the appropriate questions in relation to the revocation of his licence and received relevant responses.

The Decision was made as follows:

That the Licence be granted.

Reasons for the Decision:

- The Sub-Committee believed that the applicant was genuinely remorseful for his previous actions and had learnt his lesson.
- The references received for the applicant were extremely complimentary.
- The applicant understood the need and importance on having the correct insurance and that any conviction/offence needed to be reported to the Licensing Team as soon as possible.

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS &amp; PUBLIC</b>
<b>DIRECTORATE:</b>	<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE &amp; TOWN CLERK</b>
<b>REPORT AUTHOR:</b>	<b>CAROLYN WHEATER, MONITORING OFFICER</b>

**1. Purpose of Report**

1.1 To advise members that any agenda items following this report are considered to contain exempt or confidential information for the reasons specified on the front page of the agenda for this meeting.

**2. Recommendation**

2.1 It is recommended that the press and public be excluded from the meeting at this point as it is likely that if members of the press or public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt or confidential information.

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