

MINUTES OF GENERAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE PANEL

MEETING DATE Tuesday, 11 September 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors David Suthers (Chair), Jacqui Mort, Jane Bell and

Harry Hancock

**OFFICERS:** Mark Marshall (Head of Licensing), Tasneem Safdar (Senior

Solicitor), Justin Abbotts (Licensing Officer), Chris Ward (Licensing Officer), Dianne Scambler (Governance and

Member Services Team Leader) and Charlotte Lynch (Trainee

Governance and Member Services Officer)

OTHER MEMBERS AND OFFICERS:

PUBLIC: 0

## 6 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor David Watts.

### 7 Declarations of Any Interest

There were no declarations of interests.

#### 8 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED (Unanimously):

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business as it involved the discussion of information defined as exempt from publication under paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, 'information relating to any individual' and in which the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing it.

#### 9 Report of Plying for Hire

The Panel received a report on a complaint of Plying for Hire against a private hire driver.

The Chair referred those present to the circulated established procedure for hearings and the process that would be followed.

The driver was present with his legal representative and they both addressed the Panel.

The Panel also received representations from the Council's Head of Licensing.

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

That the driver would receive no further action against him, besides the formal caution previously issued.

## 10 Application for a Private Hire Drivers Licence

The Panel received a report on an application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence.

The Chair referred those present to the circulated established procedure for hearings and the process that would be followed.

The applicant was present and addressed the Panel.

The Panel also received representations from the Council's Head of Licensing.

RESOLVED (Unanimously):

That on the balance of probablities, the Applicant is a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence and granted the application.

# 11 Request for an exemption from the Council's Age Policy in respect of a Private Hire Vehicle

The Panel received a report on an application for exemption from the Council's Age Policy in respect of a Private Hire Vehicle.

The Chair referred those present to the circulated established procedure for hearings and the process that would be followed.

The applicant was present and addressed the Panel.

The vehicle was inspected by all members of the Panel.

The Panel also received representations from the Council's Head of Licensing.

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

That the application be granted, subject to conditions.

Chair Date