

MINUTES of a **MEETING** of the **REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE** held on 23 February 2024 at 2.00 pm

Present

Councillors C Adcock, F J Colthorpe and L G J Kennedy

Also Present

Councillor D Broom

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Officers Philip Langdon (Solicitor), Harriet Said (Team Leader (Commercial), Public Health), Philip White (Specialist Licensing Assistant) and Sarah Lees (Democratic Services Officer)

12 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor L Kennedy was elected as Chairman of the Sub Committee.

13 ACCESS TO INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Prior to consideration of a report from the Specialist Lead (Licensing) to consider an application for a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence the Sub-Committee discussed whether or not the hearing should be held in public or private. Members considered the circumstances of the case and agreed that the hearing should be conducted in closed session. The following resolution was therefore passed:

ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT – EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the next item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, namely information relating to an individual.

14 HEARING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENCE

Members of the Sub Committee and officers introduced themselves.

Prior to the meeting it was confirmed that the Members of the Sub Committee had inspected the vehicle which was the subject of the Hearing.

The Chairman confirmed that the Sub Committee had received and read the relevant paperwork in relation to the application and stated that there were no interests to declare.

The Specialist Lead (Licensing) outlined the contents of the report, explaining the responsibility of the Local Authority. The key aims and objectives of the Hearing were stated and the safety of the public was explained as being the key priority in considering whether or not to grant an application.

The Members of the Sub Committee then listened to the licence holder's presentation of their case, asked several relevant questions by way of clarification and subsequently withdrew to consider their decision.

RESOLVED that the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence be approved.

(The meeting ended at 2.20 pm)

CHAIRMAN