

CITY OF DONCASTER COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 2023

A MEETING of the LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE was held at the COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICE, WATERDALE, DONCASTER DN1 3BU on WEDNESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 2023, at 10.00 am.

PRESENT:

Chair - Councillor Linda Curran

Councillors Iris Beech, John Healy and Ian Pearson.

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, IF ANY

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH OCTOBER, 2023

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13th October 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that the public and press be excluded from the remaining proceedings of the meeting in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, on the grounds that exempt information, as detailed in Paragraph 1 (information relating to any individual) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act, was likely to be disclosed.

4 REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE AND REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE (EXCLUSION PARAGRAPH 1, INFORMATION RELATING TO AN INDIVIDUAL)

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a review of an existing Private Hire Drivers' Licence and Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

At the commencement of the hearing, the Chair welcomed all parties to the meeting, and outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Sub-Committee Members, the Applicant (Licence Holder) and the Licensing Compliance Coordinator, confirmed that they had received a copy of the agenda papers prior to the meeting.

The Licensing Compliance Coordinator introduced the report and outlined the key points in relation to the application, explaining the circumstances which had led to the requirement for the Sub-Committee to determine whether the applicant was considered a 'fit and proper' person to be granted a Private Hire Drivers Licence and a Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

The Sub-Committee Members were invited to ask questions of the Licensing Compliance Coordinator. After the Applicant and his representative explained the applicants past

actions and made a closing statement, the Applicant was thanked for his attendance and was notified that he would receive the decision of the Sub-Committee in writing within 7 working days.

The Applicant and his representative and the Licensing Compliance Coordinator, were then asked to leave the meeting whilst the Sub-Committee deliberated the application.

RESOLVED that the Sub-Committee having considered the report, taken into account the representations made at the hearing, together with the Councils Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy, having considered the suitability to hold a Private Hire Drivers Licence and a Private Hire Vehicle Licence, decided that the Applicant is a 'fit and proper' person to hold a Private Hire Drivers Licence and a Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

5 REVIEW OF AN EXISTING HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE AND REVIEW OF AN EXISTING HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE (EXCLUSION PARAGRAPH 1, INFORMATION RELATING TO AN INDIVIDUAL)

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a review of an existing Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence and a review of an existing Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

At the commencement of the hearing, the Chair welcomed all parties to the meeting, and outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Sub-Committee Members and the Licensing Compliance Coordinator confirmed that they had received a copy of the agenda papers prior to the meeting. The Applicant (Licence Holder) confirmed that he had received the agenda papers, but that he had not read the agenda papers as he had just returned from a trip overseas. However, the Applicant confirmed that he was happy to proceed with the hearing.

The Licensing Compliance Coordinator introduced the report and outlined the key points in relation to the application, explaining the circumstances which had led to the requirement for the Sub-Committee to determine whether the applicant was considered a 'fit and proper' person to be granted a Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence and a Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Vehicle Licence

The Sub-Committee Members were invited to ask questions of the Licensing Compliance Coordinator. After the Applicant and their representative explained the applicants past actions and made a closing statement, the Applicant was thanked for his attendance and was notified that he would receive the decision of the Sub-Committee in writing within 7 working days.

The Applicant and his representative and the Licensing Compliance Coordinator, were then asked to leave the meeting whilst the Sub-Committee deliberated the application.

RESOLVED that the Sub-Committee having considered the report, taken into account the representations made at the hearing, together with the Councils Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy, having considered the suitability to hold a Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence and Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Vehicle, decided that the Applicant is not a 'fit and proper' person to hold a Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence and Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Vehicle.

6 REVIEW OF AN EXISTING PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE AND REVIEW OF AN EXISTING PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE (EXCLUSION PARAGRAPH 1, INFORMATION RELATING TO AN INDIVIDUAL)

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a review of an existing Private Hire Drivers Licence and a review of an existing Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

At the commencement of the hearing, the Chair welcomed all parties to the meeting, and outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Sub-Committee Members, the Licensing Compliance Coordinator and the Applicant (Licence Holder) confirmed that they had received a copy of the agenda papers prior to the meeting.

The Licensing Compliance Coordinator introduced the report and outlined the key points in relation to the application, explaining the circumstances which had led to the requirement for the Sub-Committee to determine whether the applicant was considered a 'fit and proper' person to be granted a Private Hire Drivers Licence and a review of an existing Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

The Sub-Committee Members were invited to ask questions of the Licensing Compliance Coordinator. After the Applicant and their representative explained the applicants past actions and made a closing statement, the Applicant was thanked for his attendance and was notified that he would receive the decision of the Sub-Committee in writing within 7 working days.

The Applicant and his representative and the Licensing Compliance Coordinator, were then asked to leave the meeting whilst the Sub-Committee deliberated the application.

RESOLVED that the Sub-Committee having considered the report, taken into account the representations made at the hearing, together with the Councils Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy, having considered the suitability to hold a Private Hire Drivers Licence and a Private Hire Vehicle Licence, decided that the Applicant is a 'fit and proper' person to hold a Private Hire Drivers Licence and a Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

7 REVIEW OF AN EXISTING HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE AND REVIEW OF AN EXISTING PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE (EXCLUSION PARAGRAPH 1, INFORMATION RELATING TO AN INDIVIDUAL)

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a review of an existing Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence and a review of an existing Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

At the commencement of the hearing, the Chair welcomed all parties to the meeting, and outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Sub-Committee Members, the Licensing Compliance Coordinator and the Applicant (Licence Holder) confirmed that they had received a copy of the agenda papers prior to the meeting.

The Licensing Compliance Coordinator introduced the report and outlined the key points in relation to the application, explaining the circumstances which had led to the requirement for the Sub-Committee to determine whether the applicant was considered a

'fit and proper' person to be granted a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence and Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

The Sub-Committee Members were invited to ask questions of the Licensing Compliance Coordinator. After the Applicant and his wife explained the applicants past actions and made a closing statement, the Applicant and was thanked for his attendance and was notified that he would receive the decision of the Sub-Committee in writing within 7 working days.

The Applicant and his wife and the Licensing Compliance Coordinator, were then asked to leave the meeting whilst the Sub-Committee deliberated the application.

RESOLVED that the Sub-Committee having considered the report, taken into account the representations made at the hearing, together with the Councils Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy, having considered the suitability to hold a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence and a Private Hire Vehicle Licence, decided that the Applicant is a 'fit and proper' person to hold a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence and a Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

#### 8 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

RESOLVED that in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17(L), the meeting stand adjourned at 12.16 pm for a comfort break.

#### 9 RECONVENING OF THE MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 12.26 pm.

#### 10 REVIEW OF AN EXISTING HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE (EXCLUSION PARAGRAPH 1, INFORMATION RELATING TO AN INDIVIDUAL)

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a review of an existing Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence.

At the commencement of the hearing, the Chair welcomed all parties to the meeting, and outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Sub-Committee Members, the Licensing Compliance Coordinator and the Applicant (Licence Holder) confirmed that they had received a copy of the agenda papers prior to the meeting.

The Licensing Compliance Coordinator introduced the report and outlined the key points in relation to the application, explaining the circumstances which had led to the requirement for the Sub-Committee to determine whether the applicant was considered a 'fit and proper' person to be granted a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence.

The Sub-Committee Members were invited to ask questions of the Licensing Compliance Coordinator. After the Applicant explained his past actions and made a closing statement, the Applicant was thanked for his attendance and was notified that he would receive the decision of the Sub-Committee in writing within 7 working days.

The Applicant and the Licensing Compliance Coordinator were then asked to leave the meeting whilst the Sub-Committee deliberated the application.

RESOLVED that the Sub-Committee having considered the report, taken into account the representations made at the hearing, together with the Councils Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy, having considered the suitability to hold a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence, decided that the Applicant is a 'fit and proper' person to hold a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Licence.

11 REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE (EXCLUSION PARAGRAPH 1, INFORMATION RELATING TO AN INDIVIDUAL)

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a review of an existing Private Hire Drivers Licence.

At the commencement of the hearing, the Chair welcomed all parties to the meeting, and outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Sub-Committee Members, the Licensing Compliance Coordinator and the Applicant (Licence Holder) confirmed that they had received a copy of the agenda papers prior to the meeting.

The Licensing Compliance Coordinator introduced the report and outlined the key points in relation to the application, explaining the circumstances which had led to the requirement for the Sub-Committee to determine whether the applicant was considered a 'fit and proper' person to be granted a Private Hire Drivers Licence.

The Sub-Committee Members were invited to ask questions of the Licensing Compliance Coordinator. After the Applicant and his wife explained the applicants past actions and made a closing statement, the Applicant was thanked for his attendance and was notified that he would receive the decision of the Sub-Committee in writing within 7 working days.

The Applicant and his wife and the Licensing Compliance Coordinator, were then asked to leave the meeting whilst the Sub-Committee deliberated the application.

RESOLVED that the Sub-Committee having considered the report, taken into account the representations made at the hearing, together with the Councils Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy, having considered the suitability to hold a Private Hire Drivers Licence, decided that the Applicant is not a 'fit and proper' person to hold a Private Hire Drivers Licence.

CHAIR: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_