PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

20 APRIL 2017

PRESENT

Councillor M. Whetton (in the Chair).

Councillors A. Mitchell (Vice-Chairman), Mrs. D.L. Haddad, D. Jarman, J. Smith and E.W. Stennett

In attendance

J. Boyle - Licensing Team Leader

S. Lenahan - Solicitor

N. Owen - Democratic and Scrutiny Officer

In attendance for Minute No. 47:

G. Levy Regulatory Services Manager (Trading Standards & Licensing)

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.K. Anstee, A. Duffield and M. Freeman

45. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Public Protection Sub-Committee meeting held on 16th March 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

46. EXCLUSION RESOLUTION (REMAINING ITEMS)

RESOLVED: That the public be excluded from this meeting during consideration of the following items on the agenda because of the likelihood of disclosure of "exempt information" which falls within one or more descriptive category or categories of the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, as specified.

47. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - CONVICTION THAT EXCEEDS THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting Members to consider an application for the grant of a Private Hire driver's licence.

The applicant attended the meeting to enable Members to give the matter their full consideration.

The applicant and his Legal Representative answered questions from Sub-Committee Members.

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The Sub-Committee considered that his conviction was fifteen months ago and was a serious offence of dishonesty.

The Sub-Committee also considered that he had only very recently been released from prison and was still serving the remainder of his sentence in the community on licence.

The Sub-Committee also felt that despite the information that was provided, there were still a number of unanswered questions which caused them concern and therefore were not satisfied that he was a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire driver's licence.

RESOLVED: That Mr. M. I. A's application for a Private Hire driver's licence be refused.

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The applicant attended the meeting to enable Members to give the matter their full consideration.

The applicant answered questions from Sub-Committee Members.

RESOLVED: That Mr. R. T. M's application for a Private Hire driver's licence be granted.

49. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - CONVICTION THAT EXCEEDS THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION

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The applicant attended the meeting to enable Members to give the matter their full consideration.

The applicant answered questions from Sub-Committee Members.

RESOLVED: That Mr. S. G. C's application for a Private Hire driver's licence be granted.

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The applicant answered questions from Sub-Committee Members.

RESOLVED: That Mr. M. A's application for a Private Hire driver's licence be granted.

The meeting commenced at 6.35 pm and finished at 9.05 pm