#### PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

#### 30 APRIL 2015

#### **PRESENT**

Councillor C. Candish (in the Chair). Councillors B. Sharp (Vice-Chairman), D. Bunting, M. Freeman, D. Jarman, P. Lally, M. Sephton and J. Smith

#### In attendance

D. Adcock - Solicitor

- Licensing Team Leader J. Boyle

- Public Protection Manager (Trading Standards) G. Levy

 Licensing Team Leader
Public Protection Manager (T
Enforcement Support Officer
Democratic and Scrutiny Officer J. Stoddart R. Worsley - Democratic and Scrutiny Officer

#### **APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor A. Duffield

#### 38. SMARTPHONE TECHNOLOGY AND THE TAXI/PH LICENSING REGIME

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report informing Members on how smartphone technology fits within the current taxi and private hire licensing regime.

The Licensing Officer introduced Mr Lines, Manchester Operations Director, Uber to Committee Members. Mr Lines as the representative of Uber then provided a brief summary of how a smartphone application would work in practice.

The Members of the Committee were given an opportunity to ask questions.

The Chairman thanked Mr Lines for his attendance and detailed answers to the questions put to him by Members of the Committee.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

### 39. 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.

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# 40. PRIVATE HIRE/HACKNEY CARRIAGE KNOWLEDGE TEST - APPLICANT FOUND USING REFERENCE MATERIAL DURING EXAM

RESOLVED: That this item be deferred to the next available meeting of the Public Protection Sub-Committee.

# 41. PRIVATE HIRE/HACKNEY CARRIAGE KNOWLEDGE TEST - APPLICANT FOUND USING REFERENCE MATERIAL DURING EXAM

RESOLVED: That this item be deferred to the next available meeting of the Public Protection Sub-Committee.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm and finished at 8.10 pm