PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

14 NOVEMBER 2024

PRESENT

Councillors B. Brotherton, J. Holden, J.D. Newgrosh, U. Savary, H. K. Spencer and S. Taylor

In attendance

S. Lenahan Principal Solicitor, Corporate and Commercial,

T. Eccles Licensing Officer, N. Owen Democratic Officer.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S. J. Haughey, E.L. Hirst and D. Jarman.

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, the Sub-Committee were asked to nominate and appoint a Chair for the meeting. Councillor S. Taylor was appointed to act as Chair.

COUNCILLOR S. TAYLOR IN THE CHAIR

21. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 October be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

22. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No questions were received.

23. EXCLUSION RESOLUTION (REMAINING ITEMS)

RESOLVED: That the public be excluded 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 amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, as specified on the agenda item or report relating to each such item respectively.

24. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A NEW PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - PREVIOUS LICENCE REVOKED - APPEAL WITHDRAWN

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting members to consider an application for a Private Hire driver's licence. The applicant's previous licence had been revoked in March 2024. Mr. I. M appealed to Manchester magistrates court, but the appeal was subsequently withdrawn in October 2024 after he failed to apply to renew his licence before the expiry date.

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

The applicant answered questions from members of the sub-committee.

The Sub-Committee considered the report and evidence given at the meeting and concluded that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire driver's licence.

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

25. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A NEW PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE WHICH HAS DISCLOSED OFFENCES AGAINST THE APPLICANT

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting members to consider an application for a Private Hire driver's licence that has disclosed a conviction against the applicant.

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

The applicant answered questions from members of the sub-committee.

The Sub-Committee considered the report and evidence given at the meeting and concluded that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

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

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm and finished at 7.50 pm