PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

23 JANUARY 2020

PRESENT

Councillor D. Jarman (in the Chair).

Councillors B.Brotherton, D.Bunting, D.Butt, C.H. Churchill and S. Thomas.

In attendance

G. Levy Regulatory Services Manager,
J. Boyle Licensing Team Leader,
J. Boles Enforcement Support Officer,

A. Haddad Licensing Officer,
L. Grimshaw Legal Assistant,
R. M. Worsley Governance Officer.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A. Duffield and M.J. Welton

21. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No questions from members of the public were received.

22. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meetings held on 17th October 2019 and 21st November 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

23. URGENT DECISION 10/12/19 - INTERIM MEASURES FOR THE PROVISION OF TAXI TESTING SERVICES FOLLOWING TERMINATION OF THE EXISTING CONTRACT BY THE CURRENT PROVIDER

The Regulatory Services Manager outlined the current position regarding taxi testing services. These were temporary measures which would be superseded with new arrangements as soon as possible.

Members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

RESOLVED: That the verbal update be noted.

24. URGENT DECISION 19/12/19 - INTERIM MEASURES FOR THE PROVISION OF TAXI TESTING SERVICES FOLLOWING TERMINATION OF THE EXISTING CONTRACT BY THE CURRENT PROVIDER

The Regulatory Services Manager outlined to Members the current position regarding taxi testing services. These were temporary measures which would be superseded with new arrangements as soon as possible.

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RESOLVED: That the verbal update be noted.

25. 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.

26. TRAFFORD PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER - CONVICTION THAT EXCEEDS THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting Members to consider a Private Hire driver's conviction.

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

The driver gave his version of the offence.

The driver answered questions from members of the Sub-Committee.

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

RESOLVED: That Mr. M.Y.A.'s Private Hire driver's licence be revoked.

27. TRAFFORD PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER - CONVICTION THAT EXCEEDS THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting Members to consider a Private Hire and Hackney Carriage driver's conviction.

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

The driver gave his version of the offence.

The driver answered questions from members of the Sub-Committee.

RESOLVED: That this item be deferred to the next meeting of the Public Protection Sub-Committee to enable the driver to provide further evidence in support of his case.

(Note: Councillor S. Thomas left the meeting at this point)

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The driver answered questions from members of the Sub-Committee.

RESOLVED: That Mr N. S.'s Private Hire driver's licence be renewed.

The meeting commenced at 6.38 pm and finished at 9.10 pm