

PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

18 JANUARY 2023

PRESENT

Councillor D. Jarman (in the Chair).

Councillors S. Thomas (Vice-Chair), J.M. Axford, B. Brotherton, D. Butt, J. Holden, J.D. Newgrosh and B.G. Winstanley

In attendance

J. Parry	Locum Litigation Lawyer,
J. Boyle	Licensing Team Leader,
N. Owen	Governance Officer.

In attendance to observe only

P. Coker	Legal Assistant.
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APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor S. Taylor

33. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meetings held on 20th October 2022 and 8th November 2022 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

34. 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, and specified on the agenda item or report relating to each such item respectively.

35. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE PROPRIETOR'S (VEHICLE) LICENCE IN RESPECT OF A VEHICLE WHICH DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE COUNCIL'S CURRENT AGE AND/OR EMISSION STANDARDS

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting members to consider an application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Proprietor's (Vehicle) Licence in respect of a vehicle which does not comply with the Council's current Age and Emission Standards.

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

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The applicant explained why he felt the Sub-Committee should deviate from the Age and Emission Standards and grant a Hackney Carriage Proprietor's (Vehicle) Licence.

The Sub-Committee considered the report and the evidence given at the meeting and concluded that there was sufficient information to deviate from the policy.

RESOLVED: That Mr. M. O's application for a Hackney Carriage Proprietor's (Vehicle) Licence be granted.

36. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A NEW PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting members to consider an application for the grant of a new Private Hire driver's licence where the applicant had committed two offences.

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

The applicant gave his version of the circumstances and 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 applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire driver's licence.

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

37. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A BOTH A NEW PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S AND A NEW HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE FOLLOWING THE EXPIRY OF THE PREVIOUS LICENCES

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting members to consider an application for the grant of both a new Private Hire and a new Hackney Carriage driver's licence following the expiry of the previous licences.

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

The applicant gave his version of the circumstances and 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 applicant was a fit and proper person to hold both a Private Hire driver's licence and a Hackney Carriage driver's licence.

RESOLVED –

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- (1) That Mr. I.S's application for a Private Hire driver's licence and a Hackney Carriage driver's licence be granted for one year.
- (2) That Mr. I.S resits the induction training for taxi drivers within two months from the date of the meeting.

38. UPDATE REPORT FOLLOWING EMERGENCY DECISION BY THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR, FOR PLACE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHAIR, VICE CHAIR, OPPOSITION SPOKESPERSON AND THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR HOUSING AND NEIGHBOURHOODS

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report updating members of the Sub-Committee of an emergency decision taken by the Corporate Director, Place in consultation with the Chair, Vice-Chair and Opposition Spokesperson of the Sub-Committee and the Executive Member for Housing and Neighbourhoods following information received from Greater Manchester Police in relation to a Private Hire driver.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm and finished at 8.20 pm