

PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

15 JULY 2021

PRESENT

Councillor D. Jarman (in the Chair).

Councillors S. Thomas (Vice-Chair), J.M. Axford, D. Butt, S. Taylor, M.J. Welton, M.P. Whetton and B.G. Winstanley

In attendance

C.Myers	Solicitor,
J. Boyle	Licensing Team Leader,
J. Boles	Enforcement Support Officer,
N. Owen	Governance Officer.

APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor B. Brotherton

20. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE - VEHICLE WITH TIPPING SEAT

The Sub-Committee were informed that officers had determined that the seat does not allow unimpeded access to and from the vehicle. The vehicle proprietor had offered to remove the back of the seat, leaving the seat base in place but officers had determined that even with the seat back removed there was still not unimpeded access and egress to and from the vehicle and therefore the vehicle did not meet Trafford's vehicle standards.

The Sub-Committee inspected the vehicle and heard from the proprietor and his representative their views on why removing the back of the seat provides unimpeded access and egress and the vehicle does meet the Council's vehicle standards.

The proprietor answered questions from the Sub-Committee.

RESOLVED: That the application for a private hire vehicle licence be granted subject to the following conditions:-

- The back of the tipping seat must be removed; and
- The seat with the back removed must not be used for travel whilst the vehicle is in motion; and
- The vehicle can be used solely for home to school transport contracts where there is a passenger assistant in the vehicle.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm and finished at 8.00 pm