

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Wednesday 4 September 2024

Present:-

Councillors Haigh, Harding and Holland

Also Present

Legal Advisor, Principal Licensing Officer, Licensing Officer, Apprentice Solicitor and Democratic Services Officer (PMD)

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APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Councillor Harding was appointed as Chair for this meeting.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made by Members.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the consideration of the following items on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part I, Schedule 12A of the Act.

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APPLICATION TO RENEW HACKNEY CARRIAGE / PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE OVER 9 YEARS OLD

The Chair noted that the Applicant was not in attendance. The Licensing Officer explained that this was due to a calendar mix-up. Panel members decided unanimously to proceed without the Applicant.

The Licensing Officer presented the application for a licensed driver to renew a Hackney Carriage Vehicle licence in relation to a four passenger Toyota Prius, which was over nine years old at the renewal date. The vehicle was first registered on 31 January 2015. The Applicant had submitted a current vehicle MOT certificate dated 17 July 2024 with a mileage of 223,065 miles and the MOT history showing that the vehicle had failed six times since 2016. An independent mechanical inspection report, was also submitted, dated 5 August 2024, along with photographs of the vehicle. The vehicle was also inspected by a Licensing Officer and was considered to be in good condition.

Members noted that all advisable repairs had been carried out and that the applicant was responsive and had a good relationship with licensing officers.

RESOLVED that the application for the renewal of a Hackney Carriage Vehicle licence be granted for 12 months. A further MOT should also be carried out after six months.

(The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and closed at 10.41 am)

Chair