

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the LICENSING AND PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC SUITE, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN on Thursday, 13 October 2022

PRESENT: Councillor B S Banks – Chair.

Councillors J Clarke, S A Howell and C H Tevlin.

1 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 16th November 2021 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2 MEMBERS INTERESTS

No declarations were received.

3 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

that the press and public be excluded from the meeting because the business to be transacted contains exempt information relating to individuals and is subject to an obligation of confidentiality.

4 LICENSING AND PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE PROCEDURE

The Licensing and Protection Sub-Committee's Procedure was received and noted.

5 CONVICTIONS GUIDANCE

The Council's Guidelines relating to the relevance and treatment of convictions was received and noted.

6 REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENCE

With the assistance of a report by the Licensing Team (a copy of which is appended in the Annex to the Minute Book) the Sub-Committee considered the case of Mr AM which had been referred to the Licensing and Protection Sub-Committee for consideration.

Following an introduction by the Licensing Officer, Members were advised of the options available to them in respect of this case.

Mr AM was then offered the opportunity to address the Sub-Committee and explain the circumstances surrounding his situation and why he believed that his licence should not be revoked. Having outlined the severity of the situation

within which the driver now found himself and made further attempts to obtain information, the Sub-Committee took a brief adjournment.

Upon resumption, the Sub-Committee confirmed they wished to continue the proceedings and offered a further opportunity to the driver to make his case to the sub-committee.

The driver then left the meeting to enable Members to make their determination.

The Sub-Committee gave careful consideration to the case. The Sub-Committee also took into account the District Council's guidelines relating to the relevance and treatment of convictions, the District Council's Schedule of Conditions of licence, the legislative and policy provisions, statutory guidance, the conditions of licensing and advice from their legal representative.

Whereupon, it was

RESOLVED

that the Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Driver Licence be revoked.

The Driver was advised of his right of appeal to the Magistrates Court within 21 days.

Chair