

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the LICENSING AND PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE held in the GROUND FLOOR MEETING ROOMS (CONINGSBY & BOURN), PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN on Monday, 22 July 2024

PRESENT: Councillor N Wells – Chair.

Councillors S J Criswell, I D Gardener and S A Howell.

1 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 19th March 2024 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 RELEVANCE AND TREATMENT OF CONVICTIONS

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

6 REVIEW OF A NEW APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

(Mr PM was also in attendance supporting the applicant).

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 an application from Mr MG whose application 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 application.

Mr MG was then permitted to address the Sub-Committee and in doing so took the opportunity to explain the background to the details on his DBS certificate and took the opportunity to outline the reasons he felt he should be granted a Private Hire Licence. Following questions from Members he then left the meeting to enable Members to make their determination.

The Sub-Committee gave careful consideration to the application, the information within the committee report, the contents of the DBS, DVLA and NAFN checks together with the submission made by the applicant. 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 and advice from their legal representative.

Whereupon, it was

RESOLVED

that the application for the Private Hire Driver licence be granted to Mr MG for a period of 12 months.

Chair