

PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 19th January, 2022
Time of Commencement: 2.00 pm

Present: Councillor Simon White (Chair)

Councillors: Julie Cooper Gill Heesom John Williams

Officers: Matthew Burton Licensing Administration Team Manager
Geoff Durham Mayor's Secretary / Member Support Officer
Anne-Marie Pollard Solicitor
Melanie Steadman Licensing Officer

1. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

All Members wished it to be noted that they knew family members of one of the applicants.

3. **DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION**

Resolved:- That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration if the following matter because it is likely that there will be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1,2 and 7 contained within Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972

4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT - 1976 - APPLICANT 1**

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a Dual Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's licence. The application was before the Sub-Committee as the application process had revealed matters that fell outside the Council's Licensing Policy.

After careful consideration of information from the Council's Licensing Officer and representations from the applicant and their representative, the Sub-Committee agreed as follows:

Resolved: That the application be accepted as a renewal application and that this be granted with a warning. The driver was advised that it was his responsibility to ensure that all documents were completed and submitted on time, with all clauses completed.

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT - 1976 - APPLICANT 2**

Public Protection Sub-Committee - 19/01/22

The Sub-Committee considered a matter relating to a Dual Driver Licence.

After very careful consideration of information from the Council's Licensing Officer and representations from the applicant, the Sub-Committee agreed as follows:

Resolved: That the Driver be issued with a warning as to future conduct. The driver was also informed that it was his responsibility to ensure that the Council's Taxi Licensing Policy was taken seriously and that all conditions were adhered to.

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT - 1976 - APPLICANT 3

The applicant had requested that his application be deferred to the 9 February meeting.

Resolved: That the application be deferred to the next meeting.

7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT - 1976 - APPLICANT 4

The applicant had requested that the application be deferred to a future meeting which had been agreed prior to the meeting.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT - 1976 - APPLICANT 5

The Sub-Committee considered a new application for a Hackney Carriage Vehicle licence. The application was before the Sub-Committee as the application process had revealed a matter that fell outside the Council's Licensing Policy.

After careful consideration of information from the Council's Licensing Officer and representations from the applicant, the Sub-Committee agreed as follows:

Resolved: That the application be considered as a new application and that the application be refused on the grounds that the vehicle did not meet the criteria as set out in the Council's Policy. The Sub-Committee did not see any reason to depart from the Policy. In addition, it was felt that the driver was not a fit and proper person to hold a proprietor licence, as set out in legislation, failing to ensure that the vehicle was fully maintained.

9. URGENT BUSINESS

**Councillor Simon White
Chair**

Meeting concluded at 4.35 pm