

# **HACKNEY CARRIAGES AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE**

**Monday 30 March 2015**

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT:** Councillors Cook (Chair), Royce and Coulter.

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Jill Cramer (Senior Licensing Officer), Richard Masters (Licensing Officer), Jeremy Franklin (Law and Governance) and Sarah Claridge (Committee Services Officer)

## **75. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr Clarkson (substitute Cllr Coulter).

## **76. PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED AT THE MEETING**

The Sub-Committee resolved to NOTE the Council's procedure and guidance note on the relevance of convictions.

## **77. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Royce declared an interest in items 7 and 8 (minutes 81 and 82) she left the room whilst these cases were determined.

## **78. MINUTES**

The Sub-Committee resolved to APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on 24 February 2015 as a true and accurate record.

## **79. EXEMPT MATTERS**

The Sub-Committee resolved that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining items of business on the grounds that their presence would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

The Sub-Committee considered matters relating to Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle licensing in private.

The Sub-Committee had 4 cases before it, the following decisions were made:

- The original Sub-Committee decision was rescinded and the driver can continue to drive a Private Hire vehicle.
- No further action will be taken, and the driver can continue to drive a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire vehicle.
- The case was deferred to allow the driver's legal representation to attend.

- The Hackney Carriage and Private Hire vehicle licence was revoked.

#### **80. CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

The Sub-Committee resolved to APPROVE the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 24 February 2015 as a true and accurate record.

#### **81. SUITABILITY TO CONTINUE TO DRIVE HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES AND HOLD A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE IN LIGHT OF A CAUTION**

The Sub-Committee resolved to RESCIND the original revocation decision of the driver's licence made on 29 July 2014. The driver's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire vehicle licence was re-instated.

#### **82. SUITABILITY TO CONTINUE TO DRIVE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES IN LIGHT OF A CAUTION**

The Sub-Committee resolved that the driver can continue to drive a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire vehicle.

#### **83. SUITABILITY TO CONTINUE TO DRIVE HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES IN LIGHT OF RECENT CONVICTIONS**

This case was DEFERRED on the request of the licence holder's legal representative.

#### **84. SUITABILITY TO CONTINUE TO DRIVE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES IN LIGHT OF RECENT CONVICTIONS**

The Sub Committee resolved to REVOKE the licence holder's Private Hire vehicle licence in light of a recent conviction.

#### **85. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The Sub-Committee NOTED the next meeting would be held on Monday 27 April 2015.

**The meeting started at 5.30 pm and ended at 6.40 pm**