

LICENSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE

At a meeting of this Committee held on
30 June 2021

(Present) Councillor D Banks (Chair), Barton, Hattersley, T Long,
Maloney MBE, McCormack, O'Keefe, Pearl, Pearson, Preston
and Uddin

(Not Present) Councillors Bell (Covid related absence), Jones, McQuade
and Tasker

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bell and Jones.

2 MINUTES

* Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2021 be approved and signed.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

No Declarations of Interest from Members were made.

4 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

* Resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items for the reason stated:

<u>Minute</u>	<u>Reason (under Local Government Act 1972)</u>
5	Information relating to an individual in accordance with Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12(a).

Councillor Uddin here entered the meeting.

5 NEW APPLICATION HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE (REF: CD)

A report was presented to the Committee in relation to a new application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence (Ref: CD).

Members were informed that in making their application, the Applicant failed to declare three offences which were subsequently confirmed on their Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Copies of the relevant pages of the Application and Pre-Committee Referral Interview record were attached to the report at Appendices A and B respectively.

The Applicant attended the meeting and was given every opportunity to present their case to Members and answer questions.

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The Applicant was then invited to sum up their case and was advised that the Committee's decision would be conveyed to them the following day, with a detailed decision letter to follow in due course.

The Applicant and Licensing Officers then left the meeting whilst the Committee deliberated in private with the Council's Solicitor.

- * **Resolved that, on the balance of probabilities, the new application for Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence (Ref: CD) be refused as the Committee was not satisfied that the applicant was a "fit and proper person" to hold a driver's licence pursuant to Section 51 and 59 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions Act) 1976 and the Council's Policy.**

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