

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (SENSITIVE CASES)

MEETING, 18th DECEMBER, 2015

Present – Councillors Haworth (Chairman), L. Byrne (as deputy for Councillor Murray), D. Burrows (as deputy for Councillor C. Burrows), Mrs Fairclough and Greenhalgh.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bury, C. Burrows and Murray.

Councillor Haworth in the Chair.

19. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 12th November, 2015 were submitted.

Resolved – That the minutes be agreed and signed as a correct Record.

20. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved – That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraph 3 (financial and business affairs) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act; and that it be deemed that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in its exemption outweighs the public interest in its disclosure.

**21. MISCONDUCT BY LICENSED PRIVATE HIRE /
HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LERSCS/16/15**

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report which set out details of a misconduct complaint against a driver licensed to drive a private hire vehicle.

The driver and his solicitor and an interpreter attended the meeting.

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The Sub-Committee heard a request from Mrs Pritchard, Principal Licensing Officer to defer the matter to allow the witnesses to attend the hearing. The Solicitor for the driver made representations in relation to the request. He noted that the driver was granted an adjournment on the last occasion and stated that he could not press too harshly against the request from the Principal Licensing Officer.

The meeting gave careful consideration to the submissions made.

Resolved – That consideration of the matter be deferred to a future meeting to enable the witnesses to also be present in order for them to furnish the Sub-Committee with their evidence.

(The meeting started at 10.30am and finished at 11.16am)