LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (SENSITIVE CASES)

MEETING, 25th JULY, 2017

Present – Councillors Murray (Chairman), Mrs Fairclough, Greenhalgh, McKeon and Newall.

Councillor Murray in the Chair.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 28th June, 2017 were submitted.

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

6. 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.

7. APPLICATION TO RENEW A LICENCE TO DRIVE A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LERSCS/12/17

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out details of an application which had been received to renew a licence to drive a private hire vehicle. The report went onto set out details of a misconduct matter by the applicant.

The applicant attended the meeting and asked for consideration of the matter to be deferred to a future meeting when his solicitor could also be present.

The Sub-Committee also heard verbal evidence from the Licensing Officer.

Resolved – That consideration of this matter be deferred to the next meeting.

8. MISCONDUCT BY LICENSED PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER AND OPERATOR LERSCS/13/17

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out details of misconduct allegations against a driver licensed to drive a private hire vehicle and who also holds a current operators licence. The report went onto set out details of the misconduct matter by the driver.

The driver together with his solicitor, two sons as witnesses and his wife attended the meeting and provided verbal evidence.

His daughter also observed the proceedings.

The Sub-Committee heard verbal evidence from the Licensing Officer.

Resolved – That no further action be taken in relation to the licence to drive a private hire vehicle and the operators licence.

9. APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE TO DRIVE A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLELERSCS/14/17

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out details of an application which had been received for a licence to drive a private hire vehicle. The report went onto set out details of a misconduct matter by the applicant.

The applicant together with his solicitor, his wife and trade representative attended the meeting.

The Sub-Committee heard verbal evidence from the Licensing Officer in respect of the receipt that morning of paperwork regarding the court report. She explained that this needed to be

considered and analysed and asked for the matter to be deferred.

Resolved – That consideration of this matter be deferred to a future meeting.

(The meeting started at 10.00am and finished at 3.35pm)