

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Licensing Sub-Committee (Regulatory)

Meeting held 22 April 2024

PRESENT: Councillors David Barker (Chair), Henry Nottage and Ann Woolhouse

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 1.1 Councillor Karen McGowan attended the hearing as a reserve Member but was not required to stay.

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

- 2.1 **RESOLVED:** That the public and press be excluded from the meeting before discussion takes place on item 5 on the agenda (item 4 of these minutes) on the grounds that, if the public and press were present during the transaction of such business, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4. HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING - INDIVIDUAL CASES

- 4.1 The Chief Licensing Officer submitted details in respect of four cases relating to hackney carriage and private hire licensing.
- 4.2 The applicant in Case No. 38/24 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The applicant in Case No.44/24 did not attend the hearing and had not provided any reasons for his absence.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No. 46/24 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 The applicant in Case No. 47/24 attended the hearing with two representatives and they all addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.6 **RESOLVED:** That, after consideration of the information contained in the case papers, and the information now reported and, where relevant, circulated either prior to the meeting, but after publication of the agenda, or at the meeting, the cases now submitted be determined as follows: -

<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Licence Type</u>	<u>Decision</u>
38/24	Application for the extension of a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Refuse to grant the application on the grounds that the Sub-Committee does not consider there is sufficient evidence to deviate from the current policy on the age limit of vehicles.
44/24	Application for the extension of a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Defer consideration of the case, with the applicant being granted one further opportunity to attend a hearing to present his case.
46/24	Application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Grant a licence for the term of three years, as requested, on the grounds that the Sub-Committee considers the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence.
47/24	Application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Refuse the application on the grounds that the Sub-Committee does not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence in view of the serious offences now reported.