

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Licensing Sub-Committee

Meeting held 27 January 2015

PRESENT: Councillors David Barker (Chair), Olivia Blake and Cliff Woodcraft

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 An apology for absence was received from Councillor Neale Gibson.

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 4 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. 07/15 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.

4.3 The applicant in Case No. 08/15 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.

4.4 The applicant in Case No. 03/15 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.

4.5 The applicant in Case No. 09/15 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.

4.6 RESOLVED: That the cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Licence Type</u>	<u>Decision</u>
07/15	Application for a new Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence	Grant a licence for the normal term of 12 months on the grounds that, although the vehicle does not meet the Council's

specification for such vehicles, the Sub-Committee considers that the applicant has shown that disabled passengers can be carried securely and thus warrants a departure from the current policy.

08/15 Application for a new Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence

Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that the Sub-Committee does not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence in the light of the serious nature of the offences and convictions now reported and the responses provided to the questions raised.

03/15 Application for a new Private Hire Vehicle Licence

In the light of the circumstances of the case, and based on the evidence provided by the applicant, the Sub-Committee agreed to grant a licence until 9th September, 2015, at which date the vehicle is nine years old, the maximum age for private hire vehicles under the current policy.

09/15 Application for a new Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence

Grant a licence for the normal term of nine months and, on the first renewal, authority be given to grant the applicant a 12 month licence and, on any subsequent renewals, an 18 month licence, subject to there being no further cause for concern.