# SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

## **Licensing Sub-Committee**

## Meeting held 7 June 2021

**PRESENT:** Councillors Karen McGowan (Chair) and Cliff Woodcraft

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### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 An apology for absence was received from Councillor Josie Paszek.

### 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 licence holder in Case No. 23/21 attended the hearing with a representative, and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The licence holder in Case No. 27/21 attended the hearing with a representative, and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.4 The licence holder in Case No. 28/21 attended the hearing with a representative, and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 The applicant in Case No. 21/21 attended the hearing with a representative, and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.6 RESOLVED: That, after consideration of the information contained in the case papers, the information now reported, and circulated at the meeting, the cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

<u>Case No.</u> <u>Licence Type</u> <u>Decision</u>

23/21 Review of a (a) The licence be re-instated on the grounds Hackney Carriage that the Sub-Committee considers the licence

	and Private Hire Driver's Licence	holder to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence, (b) he be required to provide the results of four negative drug tests a year, for two years, with the licence only being re- instated on the receipt of the first negative result and (c) be given a final, written warning as to his future conduct, to remain live for the term of the licence, and for the term of any subsequent licence up to three years
27/21	Review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Take no action.
28/21	Review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	(a) The licence be re-instated, (b) the licence holder be requested to provide the results of four negative drug tests within a period of 12 months, with the licence only being re-instated on the receipt of the first negative result and (c) the driver be given a final, written warning as to his future conduct, to remain live for the term of the licence.
21/21	Application for a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Due to the bespoke nature of the business, the applicant be exempted from those conditions requiring (a) the rear window tints to allow enough light through the vehicle, (b) a door open sign in the rear window to be clearly visible when the off-side and near-side sliding doors open, and to be wired separately from the interior lights so only illuminated when the doors open, and not when the interior lights are illuminated with doors closed and (c) the display of the signage and licence plate issued to the vehicle, with the exemptions only applying (i) if the vehicle does not become part of the private hire fleet and (ii) bookings to hire the vehicle are made through City Connect for a minimum of one hour.