SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Licensing Sub-Committee

Meeting held 4 October 2021

PRESENT: Councillors Karen McGowan (Chair), Roger Davison and Josie Paszek

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 No apologies for absence were received. Councillor Joe Otten attended 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.79/21 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The licence holder in Case No.80/21 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No.81/21 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 The applicant in Case No.82/21 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.6 RESOLVED: That, after consideration of the information in the case papers, and the information now reported, the cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

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

Decision

79/21	Application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	(a) Grant a licence for the term of one year, as requested, on the grounds that the Sub- Committee considers the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence, subject to him passing a medical examination, (b) the applicant be given a written warning as to his future conduct and be informed that if there are any further offences during the term of the licence, the licence will be brought back to the Sub- Committee and (c) the applicant be informed that the current term of 14 days allowed for any offences to be reported to the Licensing Service, is shortly to be reduced to 48 hours
80/21	Review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	The licence holder be issued with a written warning with regard to his future conduct, such warning to remain live for 12 months.
81/21	Application for the renewal of a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	(a) Extend the licence for the term of six months on the grounds that the applicant has provided sufficient evidence to convince the Sub-Committee that there are exceptional reasons to deviate from the current policy on the age limit of vehicles and the applicant be required to arrange for three MOTs to be carried out during that six month period.
82/21	Application for a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that the applicant has not provided sufficient evidence to convince the Sub- Committee that there are exceptional reasons to deviate from the current policy on the age limit of vehicles.