

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Licensing Sub-Committee (Regulatory)

Meeting held 18 November 2024

PRESENT: Councillors David Barker (Chair), Brian Holmshaw and Maroof Raouf

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 1.1 There were no apologies for absence. Councillor Talib Hussain 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. 146/24 attended the hearing with a representative, and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The licence holder in Case No. 140/24 did not attend the hearing and had not provided any reasons for his absence.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No. 144/24 attended the hearing with a representative, and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 The licence holder in Case No. 148/24 attended the hearing and 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>
146/24	Application for the renewal of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	(a) Subject to the applicant completing and passing Sheffield City Council's 'Driving Test', grant a licence for the term of 3 years, as requested; and (b) upon issue of a licence, the applicant be issued with a Formal Written Warning with regard to his future conduct, to remain live for the term of the licence.
140/24	Application to extend 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.
144/24	Review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Take no action.
148/24	Review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Immediately revoke the licence under Section 61 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, as amended by Section 52 of the Road Safety Act 2006, on the grounds that the Sub-Committee no longer considers the licence holder to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence in view of the serious offences now reported.