

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Licensing Sub-Committee

Meeting held 7 April 2014

PRESENT: Councillors Clive Skelton (Chair), Jenny Armstrong and Neale Gibson

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 No apologies for absence were received.

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 three cases relating to hackney carriage and private hire licensing.

4.2 The applicant in Case No. 21/14 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.

4.3 The licence holder in Case No. 29/14 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.

4.4 The applicant in Case No. 30/14 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.

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

| <u>Case No.</u> | <u>Licence Type</u> | <u>Decision</u> |
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| 21/14 | Application for a first Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence | Grant a licence for 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. |

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| 29/14 | Review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence | Revoke the licence under Section 61 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 on the grounds that the Sub-Committee does not consider the licence holder to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence in the light of (a) the severity of the offences now reported and the lack of judgement shown as a professional driver and (b) the nature of the responses to the questions raised. |
| 30/14 | Application for a new Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence | (a) Grant a licence for the shorter term of six months in view of the offences and convictions now reported, (b) the applicant be requested to provide a monthly drugs test result to the Licensing Service and (c) after six months the applicant is requested to return to a Sub-Committee hearing to consider his licence renewal. |