

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Licensing Sub-Committee

Meeting held 24 November 2015

PRESENT: Councillors Geoff Smith (Chair), Zoe Sykes and Cliff Woodcraft

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 1.1 No apologies for absence were received. Councillor Denise Reaney attended the meeting 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 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. 85/15 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The applicant in Case No. 86/15 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No. 87/15 attended the hearing and 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>
85/15	Application to renew a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Grant a licence for a period of nine months on the grounds that the Sub-Committee considers that there are exceptional circumstances in the case, specifically relating to the service history and excellent condition of the vehicle, to warrant a departure from the current policy relating to the age limit of vehicles.

86/15	Application for a new Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Grant a licence for the normal term of 12 months on the grounds that the Sub-Committee considers that there are exceptional circumstances in the case, specifically relating to the reasons for the delay in applying for the licence, to warrant a departure from the current policy relating to the age limit of vehicles.
87/15	Application to renew a 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 in the light of the offences and convictions now reported and the responses provided to the questions raised, specifically relating to his lack of understanding of the licence conditions.