SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Licensing Sub-Committee

Meeting held 21 March 2022

PRESENT: Councillors David Barker (Chair), Vickie Priestley and Cliff Woodcraft

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 An apology for absence was received from the Co-Chair (Councillor Karen McGowan).

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. 36/22 attended the hearing with a representative, and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The applicant in Case No. 37/22 did not attend the hearing and, as no prior notice had been received from him, the Sub-Committee considered the case in his absence.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No. 38/22 attended the hearing with a relative, and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 The applicant in Case No. 39/22 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, and the information now reported, and where relevant, circulated either prior to or at the meeting, the cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

Case No.	<u>Licence Type</u>	<u>Decision</u>
36/22	Review of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	(a) Immediately suspend the licence for a period of three months or on completion of the Level 2 Certificate "The Introduction to the Role of a Professional Taxi and Private Hire Driver, whichever is the earliest, on the grounds that, in the light of the circumstances now reported, the Sub-Committee does not consider the licence holder to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence and (b) the licence holder be given a formal written warning as to his future conduct, to remain live for the term of the re-instated licence
37/22	Application to Extend a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence	Refuse to extend the 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.
38/22	Application to Renew a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Grant a licence for 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.
39/22	Application to renew a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence	Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that, in the light of the circumstances now reported, the Sub-Committee does not consider the applicant to be a fit and proper person to hold a licence.