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## Licensing & Appeals Sub-Committee

**Minutes of a Licensing & Appeals Sub-Committee meeting held at 10.30 am on Wednesday, 21st August, 2024 in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Matlock DE4 3NN.**

**PRESENT** Councillor Peter Dobbs - In the Chair

Councillors: John Bointon and Marilyn Franks

James Cunningham (Solicitor), Grace Dowson (Licensing Manager) and Lucy Harrison (Democratic Services Assistant)

The Applicant and their Representative.

### **120/24 - ELECTION OF A CHAIR**

It was moved by Councillor Marilyn Franks, seconded by Councillor John Bointon and

**RESOLVED** (unanimously)

That Councillor Peter Dobbs be elected as Chair of the Sub-Committee.

The Chair declared the motion **CARRIED**.

### **121/24 - INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **122/24 - EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

It was moved by Councillor Marilyn Franks, seconded by Councillor John Bointon and

**RESOLVED** (unanimously)

That in accordance with Section 100(a) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded because it is likely that the nature of the business to be transacted will result in exempt information being disclosed.

The Chair declared this **CARRIED**.

At this point the Sub-Committee excluded the public and press because in determining the Licence, Members would need to consider personal information relating to the Licence Holder.

### **123/24 - REVIEW OF COMBINED TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS LICENCE - MOTORING CONVICTIONS**

It was reported that, in accordance with the Council's licensing procedures, the holder of a Combined Driver Licence had been referred to the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee in accordance with the Council's current Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Policy due to the number of points currently held on their driving licence.

The Licensing Manager explained the circumstances of the Licence Holder's referral to the Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee and the Licence Holder were given an opportunity to question the Licensing Manager.

The Licence Holder and their representative then presented their case.

The Sub-Committee and the Licensing Manager were given an opportunity to question the Licence Holder and their representative.

The Sub-Committee confirmed they had enough information to determine the matter.

### **124/24 - DECISION**

It was moved by Councillor Marilyn Franks, seconded by Councillor John Bointon and

**RESOLVED** (unanimously)

That having considered all the evidence put before it, the Sub-Committee has determined that the Licence Holder is a fit and proper person to continue to hold a Combined Taxi/Private Hire Vehicle Drivers Licence. However, the Licence Holder will receive 3 Council Penalty Points for their failure to inform the Licensing Authority of the points accrued on their DVLA Driving Licence.

The Chair declared the motion **CARRIED**.

Reason(s) for Decision

The reasons for the decision are contained within the associated decision notice.

**Chair**

**Meeting Closed:** 12.02 pm