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Licensing & Appeals Sub-Committee

Minutes of a Licensing & Appeals Sub-Committee meeting held at 10.30 am on Monday, 12th December, 2022 in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Matlock DE4 3NN.

PRESENT Councillor Steve Wain - In the Chair

Councillors: Graham Elliott

Eileen Tierney (Licensing Manager), Kerry France (Legal Services Manager), Lucy Harrison (Democratic Services Assistant) and Tommy Shaw (Democratic Services Team Leader)

The Applicant

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor(s): Stuart Lees

231/22 - ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Councillor Graham Elliott, seconded by Councillor Steve Wain and

RESOLVED (Unanimously)

That Councillor Steve Wain be elected as Chairman of the Committee.

232/22 - INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

233/22 - EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

It was moved by Councillor Steve Wain, seconded by Councillor Graham Elliott 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 would result in exempt information being disclosed.

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 Applicant.

234/22 - RENEWAL OF COMBINED TAXI / PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MOTORING CONVICTIONS

It was reported that, in accordance with the Council's Licensing procedures, the Applicant for a Private Hire Vehicle 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 Applicant's referral to the Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee and the Applicant were given an opportunity to question the Licensing Manager.

The Applicant then presented their case.

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

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

235/22 - DECISION

It was moved by Councillor Steve Wain, seconded by Councillor Graham Elliott and

RESOLVED (Unanimously)

That having considered all the evidence put before it, the Sub-Committee has determined that the Applicant is fit and proper to be granted a 3 year licence to drive a Private Hire Vehicle

Reason for Decision

The Sub-Committee accepted the explanation of how the points were obtained and the reasons why the Council were not alerted when the points were received.

Chairman

Meeting Closed: 11.15 am