LICENSING APPLICATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE 3 MEETING MINUTES - 31 JULY 2019

Present: Councillor Edwards (Chair);

Councillors Grashoff, Jones and Rowland

Apologies: Councillors Skeats

4. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5 June 2019 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved -

That, pursuant to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), members of the press and public be excluded during consideration of Item 3 below as it was likely that there would be disclosures of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5, specified in Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act.

6. APPLICATIONS FOR THE GRANT, RENEWAL, SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER LICENCES AND APPEALS AGAINST THE ALLOCATION OF PENALTY POINTS ON PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Director of Economic Growth and Neighbourhood Services submitted a report asking the Sub-Committee to consider the revocation or suspension of a three year private hire vehicle driver's licence.

A summary of the circumstances of the case was appended to the report.

NHA was present at the meeting, addressed the Sub-Committee and answered questions.

- Resolved That the three year private hire vehicle driver's licence in respect of NHA be revoked with immediate effect in the interests of public safety, due to him not being considered a fit and proper person to hold such a licence, and for the following reasonable causes pursuant to section 61 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976:
 - (a) the nature of the offence, as NHA had been convicted of possession of a controlled substance, and also taking into account the nature of a similar previous offence, as detailed in the report;
 - (b) insufficient time having elapsed since the conviction, as detailed in the report;

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- (c) the breaches of licence conditions and legislation, in that NHA did not report the most recent conviction to the licensing team as required by conditions, as detailed in the report;
- (d) that NHA had given inconsistent and dishonest explanations as to the circumstances of the most recent offence to the police, as detailed in the report, and to the Sub-Committee at the meeting.

NHA was advised of his right of appeal;

(Exempt information as defined in paragraph 1, 2, 3 and 5)

(The meeting closed at 7.22 pm)