Present: Councillors Woodward (Chair); Edwards (Vice-Chair) and Carnell

7. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings held on 3 November 2022 and 8 November 2022 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

8. 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 the following item of business 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.

9. APPLICATIONS FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE AND APPEALS AGAINST THE ALLOCATION OF PENALTY POINTS ON PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCES

The Executive Director of Economic Growth and Neighbourhood Services submitted a report asking the Sub-Committee to consider an application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence and two appeals against allocation of penalty points on a private hire vehicle driver's licence.

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

ZS and his representative Ayetullah Satlik were present at the meeting. They each addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions.

MFH was present at the meeting. He addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions.

SH was not present at the meeting.

Resolved -

- (1) That the application by ZS for the grant of a three-year Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be granted for a period of six months, with a warning as to future conduct, and that the Assistant Director of Planning, Transport and Public Protection be authorised to renew the licence for a further two and a half years, subject to no breaches of licence conditions, offences being committed, or complaints being received. After the initial six-month period, the applicant must also satisfy Licensing Officers that he had sufficient command of written and spoken English and had read and understood the conditions attached to the licence;
- (2) That the appeal against the allocation of penalty points to the Private Hire Vehicle driver's licence in respect of SH be deferred until 9 February 2023 to allow the appellant to attend the meeting.

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- (3) That the appeal against the allocation of penalty points to the Private Hire Vehicle driver's licence in respect of MFH be refused due to the breach of the following Private Hire Driver Conditions:
 - (a) Condition 2.1 failure to wear a current private hire driver's badge;
 - (b) Condition 36.1 failure to display a roof sign or door stickers whilst working.

As a consequence the addition of three penalty points to the driver's licence for each of the contraventions should stand, making a total of six points.

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

The meeting started at 6.30pm and closed at 8.14pm.