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## **LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of a Meeting held on Wednesday 26 October 2016 in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Matlock at 10.30am.**

### **PRESENT**

Councillor Jean Monks - In the Chair

Councillors Graham Elliott and John Tibenham

Eileen Tierney (Licensing Manager), Katie Hamill (Solicitor), Simon Johnson (Democratic & Electoral Services) and Annette Reading (Democratic & Electoral Services)

The Applicant

### **226/16 – ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

It was moved by Councillor John Tibenham, seconded by Councillor Graham Elliott and

#### **RESOLVED**

(Unanimously)

That Councillor Jean Monks be elected as Chairman of the panel.

### **227/16 – EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

It was moved by Councillor Jean Monks, seconded by Councillor Graham Elliott

#### **RESOLVED**

(Unanimously)

That in accordance with Section 100A 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 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

At this point the Sub-Committee excluded the public and press because in determining the application, members would need to consider personal information relating to the applicant.

## 228/16 – TAXI /PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER LICENSING

It was reported that, in accordance with the Council’s licensing procedures, an application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence had been referred to the Licensing & Appeals Sub-Committee for determination as the applicant had passed the Knowledge Test but whose criminal record disclosure certificate had revealed relevant convictions.

The Licensing Officer 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 Officer.

The applicant presented his case.

The Sub-Committee and the Licensing Officer were given an opportunity to question the applicant.

The Sub-Committee confirmed they had enough information to determine the matter and left the meeting room.

After some deliberation the Committee resumed the meeting.

## 229/16 – DECISION

It was moved by Councillor Jean Monks, seconded by Councillor John Tibenham and

<p><b>RESOLVED</b>  (Unanimously)</p>	<p>That having considered all the evidence put before it, the Sub-Committee has determined that the applicant is a fit and proper person and should be allowed to hold a licence to drive a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle in the Derbyshire Dales for a period of 3 years subject to the conditions set out in Appendix H of the policy.</p> <p><u>Reason for Decision</u></p> <p>The reasons for the decision are contained in the Decision Notice that is attached to the exempt minute as they include personal information relating to the applicant.</p>
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**MEETING CLOSED – 11:15am**