# LICENSING PANEL

Friday, 31 January 2020

Present: Councillors J Stapleton L Rowlands T Norbury D Mitchell

A Hodson

#### 101 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

In the absence of the Chair it was -

Resolved – That Councillor K Greaney be appointed Chair for this meeting.

#### 102 **MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members of the Panel were asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary and nonpecuniary interests, in connection with any application on the agenda and state the nature of the interest.

No such declarations were made.

#### 103 **EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved - That, under section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by the relevant paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act.

The Public Interest test had been applied and favoured exclusion.

#### 104 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (RGD)

The Director of Governance and Assurance submitted a report for Members to consider an application received from Mr RGD for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr RGD attended the meeting, answered questions from councillors and officers and made representations in respect of his application.

Members gave due consideration to Mr RGD's representations as well as other material information relevant to his application. Members had regard to their Policy and after careful consideration of the representations made, exercised their right to consider each case on its individual merits in light of the representations made.

Resolved - That Mr RGD's application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence be granted, subject to appropriate conditions.

### 105 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (WLS)

The Director of Governance and Assurance submitted a report for Members to consider an application received from Mr WLS for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence.

Mr WLS did not attend the meeting.

# 106 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (NU)

The Director of Governance and Assurance submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr NU should continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr NU attended the meeting and made representations in respect of his application. Members questioned Mr NU.

Members gave due consideration to Mr NU's representations and exercised their right to consider each case on its individual merits in light of the representations made.

# Resolved (4:2) -

- (1) That Mr NU be allowed to continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence;
- (2) Mr NU must obtain a Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Road Passenger Vehicle Driving (Taxi and Private Hire)
- (3) Mr NU must register for the course with a training provider no later than 29 February 2020;
- (4) Should Mr NU fail to obtain the NVQ by 30 April 2020, his licence would be revoked.

# 107 PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCES (MDMA)

The Director of Governance and Assurance submitted a report for Members to consider an application received by Mr MDMA for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence.

Mr MDMA attended the meeting and made representations in support of his application.

Members gave due consideration to Mr MDMA's representations and exercised their right to consider each case on its individual merits in light of the representations made.

Resolved – That Mr MDMA's application for the grant of Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver Licences be refused.