

PUBLIC PROTECTION LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Hybrid meeting held on 14th July 2026.

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Present: Councillor P. Drake (Chair); Councillor J.M. Norman (Vice-Chair); Councillors G. Bruce, V.P. Driscoll, R. Fisher, C.P. Franks, E.J. Goodjohn, E. Goodjohn, N.B. Marshallsea, S.T. Wiliam and M.R. Wilkinson.

149 [ANNOUNCEMENT](#) –

Prior to the commencement of the business of the Committee, the Chair read the following statement: “May I remind everyone present that the meeting will be live streamed as well as recorded via the internet and this recording archived for future viewing”.

150 [APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE](#) –

These was received from Councillors B. Dodd, W.A. Hennessy and S. Sivagnanam.

151 [DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST](#) –

No declarations of interest were received.

152 [MINUTES](#) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 16th June 2026 be approved as a correct record.

153 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC –

RESOLVED – T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

154 DISCIPLINARY MATTER IN RESPECT OF A CURRENT HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER (DEH) (EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPHS 13 AND 14) –

The report was presented by the Senior Licensing Officer. The Applicant attended the meeting and provided representations in support of their application. The Applicant was asked to elaborate on details contained in the report, their application, and to provide information as to why they found that the Committee should depart from its adopted guidelines on determining the suitability of applicants for hackney carriage and private hire vehicle driver's licences.

Having fully considered the matter and following a Committee vote, Committee subsequently:

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T having regard to the report, the Guidelines adopted by the Public Protection Licensing Committee and the representations made by the Applicant, Members determined that the Applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage and private hire vehicle driver's licence.
- (2) T H A T the driver be issued with a written warning in relation to disclosing convictions to the Licensing Authority at the time of conviction and upon the renewal of their licence.
- (3) T H A T an advisory letter be sent to the Operator in relation to their providing assistance to drivers to complete applications on behalf of Applicants and ensuring points were declared.

Reasons for decisions

- (1-3) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.