

## **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Licensing Sub-Committee**  
held on Thursday, 12th October, 2023 in the Committee Suite 1,2 & 3,  
Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

### **PRESENT**

Councillors D Edwardes, R Kain and L Smetham

### **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Phil Jennings – Legal Services  
Martin Kilduff – Licensing Enforcement Officer  
Karen Shuker – Democratic Services Officer  
Sam Jones – Democratic Services Officer

### **71 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

#### **RESOLVED –**

That Councillor D Edwardes be appointed as Chair for the meeting.

### **72 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Amanda Andrews, Licensing Enforcement Officer.

### **73 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **74 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

#### **RESOLVED –**

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A) 4 of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

**75 CONSIDERATION OF FITNESS TO HOLD A JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE AND CONSIDERATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE LICENCE.**

The Sub-Committee considered a report regarding the fitness to hold a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence and consideration of an application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence.

The Sub-Committee was informed that the matter fell within the Council's policy for determination by the Sub-Committee. Accordingly, the hearing had been convened to enable the Sub-Committee to determine whether the licence holder remained a fit and proper person to hold a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence.

The licence holder, a licensing consultant representing the licence holder, attended the hearing and made representations in respect of the case.

After a full hearing, and in accordance with the rules of procedure, the Chair of the Sub-Committee reported that, after taking account of all the evidence, the following course of action had been agreed.

**RESOLVED –**

Following a review of the fitness to hold a joint hackney carriage drivers' licence/private hire vehicle drivers' licence, and consideration of an application for the grant of a hackney carriage vehicle licence, the Sub Committee was satisfied that the license holder remain a fit and proper person to hold a joint hackney carriage drivers' licence/private hire vehicle drivers' licence, and consideration of an application for the grant of a hackney carriage vehicle licence with Cheshire East Council be GRANTED.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 12.37 pm

Councillor D Edwardes