

NOTES OF GENERAL LICENSING REGULATORY BOARD PANELS

7th April, 2015

1. **Present:** Councillor C Wraith MBE (Chair), J Carr and Sixsmith MBE together with Councillor Brook (Reserve Member).

Members of the Public and Press were excluded from all meetings.

2. **Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest.

3. **Driver Licences**

The Panel considered reports requesting Members to consider the following:

- (a) The determination of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence held by Mr M D C.

The driver was in attendance and was supported by Mr D W (Licensing Consultant) who gave evidence in support of his case. Mr M D C also submitted three character references which he asked the Panel to consider in determining his licence.

After considering all the evidence presented together with the representations made the Panel determined that in view of the extenuating and mitigating circumstances presented, there was sufficient justification to warrant a deviation from the Council's Guideline Policy for Criminal Convictions and that Mr M D C be allowed to retain his licence subject to

- The driver undertaking and passing (at his own expense) the appropriate DSA driving test within a three month period from the date of the hearing; and
- The issuing of a final written warning which will be kept on file as to his future conduct.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.

- (b) An application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence by Mr A N T A.

The driver was not in attendance at the hearing and no information was presented to explain his non attendance. In view of this the Panel deferred consideration of the application until a meeting to be held on the 26th May, 2015. The Panel also expressed disappointment at his non attendance and asked the he be informed that should he not be in attendance at the next hearing, the application would be determined in his absence.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.

- (c) An application for the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence by Mr M S

The driver (who had been known by a former name) was in attendance and gave evidence in support of his case.

After considering all the evidence presented together with the representations made, the Panel, in taking account of the manner in which the applicant presented himself, determined that there was sufficient justification to warrant a deviation from the Council's Guideline Policy for Criminal Convictions in relation to migrant workers and that the application for a licence be granted.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.

28th April, 2015

4. **Present:** Councillors C Wraith MBE (Chair), Richardson and Worton together with Councillor J Carr (Reserve Member).

5. **Driver Licences**

The Panel considered reports requesting Members to consider the following:

- (a) The determination of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence held by Mr D N.

Mr DN attended the meeting together with Ms J R and gave evidence in support of his case. Mr D N also submitted two references which he asked to Panel to consider in determining his licence.

After considering all the evidence presented together with the representations made the Panel determined that in view of the extenuating and mitigating circumstances presented, there was sufficient justification to warrant a deviation from the Council's Guideline Policy for Criminal Convictions and that Mr D N be allowed to retain his licence subject to the issuing of a final written warning which will be kept on file as to his future conduct.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.

- (b) An application for a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence by Mr R K

The driver was not in attendance at the hearing and no information was presented to explain his non attendance. In view of this the Panel

deferred consideration of the application until a meeting to be held on the 26th May, 2015. The Panel also expressed disappointment at his non attendance and asked the he be informed that should he not be in attendance at the next hearing, the application would be determined in is absence.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.