

LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2019

Present: Councillor D Bagshaw, Chair

Councillors: T A Cullen
D Grindell
R D MacRae
J C Patrick
M Radulovic MBE
P D Simpson
I L Tyler

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E H Atherton, E Cubley, R I Jackson and D D Pringle.

17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor J C Patrick declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 3 having worked with the appellant's advocate on case work, minute number 19 refers.

18 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

19 HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION

Members considered the report which sought a decision as to whether the applicant's vehicle was fit to licence as it did not comply with the Council's current Policy. Members considered the representations made by the driver and driver's advocate, whom both appeared in person; the Council's licensing representative, the relevant legislation and the Council's Licensing Policy.

RESOLVED that the Licence be granted. The decision was against the Council's policy requirement that the engine size of a vehicle must be 1500cc in order to be accepted as a licensed vehicle. However, on this occasion the Committee was satisfied that there were compelling reasons to depart from the Policy.