## BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

## LICENSING AND APPEALS BOARD

## Minutes from the Meeting of the Licensing and Appeals Board held on Wednesday, 6th July, 2022 at 10.00 am in the Kempe Room, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn

**PANEL:** Councillor Don Tyler and Stuart Ashworth, Assistant Director.

### **OFFICERS**:

Marie Malt – Senior Licensing Officer Craig Pease – Licensing Enforcement Officer Chido Mushonga – Legal Advisor Rebecca Parker – Democratic Services Officer

**OBSERVING:** Councillor Paul Kunes – Portfolio Holder for Environment and Climate Change.

### 1 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

**RESOLVED:** That under Section 100(a)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

### 2 EMERGENCY HEARING CASE

The Chair welcomed everyone to the Hearing and stated that the purpose of the Hearing was to consider immediate revocation or suspension of a combined drivers licence due to a serious matter notified to the Borough Council on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022. He introduced the Panel Members, Officers and Legal Advisor.

The Licence Holder introduced himself.

### 3 PROCEDURE FOR DETERMINING HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE LICENCE APPLICATIONS AND DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS

The Legal Advisor outlined the procedure which would be followed at the Hearing.

#### 4 **REPORT OF THE LICENSING OFFICER**

At the request of the Chair, the Licensing Manager presented his report. There were no questions.

# 5 LICENCE HOLDERS CASE

At the request of the Chair, the Licence Holder presented his case and responded to questions from all parties.

# 6 SUMMING UP - LICENSING OFFICER

The Licensing Officer had nothing further to add to his case.

# 7 SUMMING UP - LICENCE HOLDER

The Licence Holder had nothing further to add to his case.

# 8 OUTSTANDING MATTERS

The Legal Advisor provided detail of outstanding matters and the advice she would be providing to the Panel whilst they retired to make their decision.

# 9 DECISION

The Panel retired to make their decision in private. In returning back to the room the decision was read out. The Licence Holder had left the Hearing at this stage and a copy of the Decision Notice would be sent via email.

## The meeting closed at 10.53 am