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## LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

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**MINUTES** of the Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, ME10 3HT on Wednesday, 2 June 2021 from 2.07 pm - 2.53 pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Derek Carnell (Chairman), Tim Gibson and Carole Jackson.

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Philippa Davies, Robin Harris, Chris Hills and Jo Thomas.

### 34 NOTIFICATION OF CHAIRMAN AND OUTLINE OF PROCEDURE

The Chairman opened the meeting and asked those present to introduce themselves.

### 35 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

### 36 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

**Resolved:**

***That 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 Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of the Act:***

- 1. Information relating to an individual.***
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.***

### 37 REVIEW OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE

The Licensing Officer introduced the report which sought to consider whether the Respondent, who had accumulated a total of 12 penalty points on their Swale Driver's Badge, was a fit and proper person to hold a Swale Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Licensing Officer detailed the incidents at which the Respondent had accumulated 12 penalty points, as below:

- Two points – failure to notify the Council of DVLA penalty points within 14 days; and
- ten points giving false information on a Hackney Carriage Licence application.

The Chairman asked the Respondent to present their case, and they were asked questions. The Respondent apologised for their misunderstanding of the form, which had been completed on their mobile phone. The Respondent added that they had no intention to not disclose the points on their licence.

Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee, the Contentious Team Leader and the Democratic Services Officer adjourned at 2.35 pm to make their decision.

Members of the Sub-Committee, the Contentious Team Leader and the Democratic Services Officer returned to the meeting at 2.50 pm and the decision, attached as Appendix I to these minutes, was announced.

***Resolved: That the Respondent's Swale Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence not be suspended, but a warning be given.***

### **Appendix I for minutes**

#### Chairman

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