

Licensing Sub-Committee 10.30am on 30 September 2016

Case No1/2016

Decision: The Licensing Sub-Committee was asked to determine whether this respondent was a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence against the background of having accumulated 12 penalty points on the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Policy. The respondent had also failed to disclose 3 DVLA penalty points to the authority.

The licensing Sub-Committee decided to suspend the respondent's driver's licence for a period of 1 month starting from the date 21 days from the date of notification of this decision.

The Licensing Sub-Committee noted that had points been awarded for the failure to disclose the DVLA penalty points this respondent would have a total of 18 or 24 points and that as the respondent had failed to attend the Sub-Committee they had offered no defence, explanation or mitigation to these matters.

However, the Sub-committee noted in the respondent's favour that 6 penalty points would have expired next month and that the DVLA points were for a minor traffic offence.

In all the circumstances the 1 month suspension was the proportionate action to take against the driver's licence.

The respondent has a right of appeal against this decision by way of complaint to the Magistrates Court within 21 days of the date of notification of this decision.