

**Licensing Sub-Committee 10.30am 30 September 2016**

**Case No2/2016 (11.30am)**

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 22 penalty points on the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Policy.

The licensing Sub-Committee decided to give a formal warning to the respondent driver. The Licensing Sub-Committee noted that for accumulating 22 points the outcome would normally be a suspension of the Licence.

The Licensing Sub-Committee noted that the respondent driver accepted completely the issues raised at the Hearing and particularly advised that he would have behaved differently if the same circumstances presented themselves again.

The Licensing Sub-Committee also noted the remarks made in support of the driver by the proprietor and this assisted them in reaching the conclusion that the driver remains a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Licensing Sub-Committee did not accept the remarks made by the proprietor in respect of the Licensing Officer. In the view of the Sub-Committee the Licensing Officer was right to strictly uphold the Council's Licensing Policy.