

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING AND APPEALS PANEL

MINUTES

Wednesday, 27th July, 2022

Present: Cllr Mrs P A Bates, Cllr H S Rogers and Cllr R V Roud (Chair)

Together with representatives of the Licensing Authority.

PART 1 - PUBLIC

LAP 22/28 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

LAP 22/29 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Chairman moved, it was seconded and

RESOLVED: That as public discussion would disclose exempt information, the following matters be considered in private.

PART 2 - PRIVATE

DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 3, PART 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION

LAP 22/30 REVIEW OF PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE – CASE NO. 009/2022

The Licensing and Appeals Committee, sitting as a Panel, was asked to consider whether a new application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence should be granted under Section 51 (1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, or refused under Section 51 (1) (b) of the Act following the receipt of information from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) showing a number of convictions during the period 2013-14.

The Panel had regard to the report of the Director of Central Services and Deputy Chief Executive, the Council's Taxi and Licensing Enforcement Policy and the Institute of Licensing's Guidance on Determining the Suitability of Applicants for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licences.

In its deliberations the Panel took into account the oral evidence and were satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence with Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council.

For this reason, the Panel

RESOLVED: That in respect of Case Number 009/2022, the application for a Private Hire Driver's licence be granted.

The meeting ended at 11.00 am
Having commenced at 10.01am