

Regulation and Review Committee (Panel)

Thursday, 21 April 2022

Present: Councillor T Mulvenna (Chair)
Councillors John Hunter, J Mole and J O'Shea

RQ30/22 To Receive any Declarations of Interest and Notification of any Dispensations Granted

There were no declarations of interest or dispensations reported.

RQ31/22 Exclusion Resolution

Resolved that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and having applied a public interest test in accordance with Part 2 of Schedule 12A 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 Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

RQ32/22 Private Hire Driver's Licence Appeal - Mr M

The Committee received a report in relation to an appeal from an applicant, Mr M, who had been refused a Private Hire Drivers Licence as the Licensing Authority was not satisfied he was a fit and proper person.

Mr M was in attendance at the meeting.

A Licensing Officer presented the report to the Committee which included relevant information from the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy.

Members and Mr M had the opportunity to ask questions of the Licensing Officer.

Mr M then addressed the Committee and answered questions from Members.

Following a summing up from the Licensing Officer and Mr M, all parties left the meeting to enable consideration of the matter to be undertaken in private.

The options available to the Committee were:

- To uphold the appeal and grant the licence
- To dismiss the appeal and refuse the licence

It was **agreed** that Mr M's appeal be dismissed and the decision of the Licensing Authority to refuse the granting of a licence be confirmed.