NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB-COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Subcommittee held in Conference Room 1, County Hall, Morpeth, NE61 2EF on Thursday, 15 December 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

MEMBERS

C Humphrey K Parry I Hutchinson A Wallace

OFFICERS

H Bowers
M Bulman
Lawyer, Legal Services
T Hardy
Democratic Services Officer
Lawyer, Legal Services
Licensing Manager

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

RESOLVED that Councillor Hutchinson be elected as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

Councillor J. I. Hutchinson, Chair, in the Chair.

2. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:-

- (a) that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the Agenda as they involved the likely discussion of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of the Schedule 12(A) of the 1972 Act, and
- (b) that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure for the following reasons:-

Agenda Item Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A

4 Information relating to any individual.

The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in

PART II

3. REPORTS OF THE HEAD OF HOUSING & PUBLIC PROTECTION

Case No. 15.12.22/442

The applicant was in attendance.

Introductions were made and the Chair explained the procedure to be followed.

The Senior Licensing Officer informed members that an application had been received which officers were unable to deal with under delegated powers.

The Subcommittee was asked to consider the application and the applicant's representations along with the written and oral report of the Senior Licensing Officer and relevant law and guidance policy to determine whether or not the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.

The applicant submitted the case in support of his application and provided a statement which was circulated to members. He then answered questions from the Subcommittee.

Members of the Subcommittee retired to make their decision with the legal adviser and following this the applicant was advised:-

The Subcommittee has determined to **GRANT** your private hire driver's licence with a warning that there would be significant risk to his licence if there was any re-offending in the future.