TEWKESBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee (Street Trading and Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles, Drivers and Operators) held at the Council Offices, Gloucester Road, Tewkesbury on Thursday, 29 June 2023 commencing at 2:30 pm

Present:

Chair Councillor M G Sztymiak

and Councillors:

P W Ockelton and M J Williams

In attendance:

Councillor H Sundarajoo and R J E Vines

LSB/B.1 ELECTION OF CHAIR

1.1 It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED That Councillor M G Sztymiak be appointed as Chair for the meeting.

LSB/B.2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2.1 The evacuation procedure, as noted on the Agenda, was advised to those present.
- 2.2 The Chair advised that Members of the Licensing Committee would be observing the meeting from the public gallery for training purposes. He would be seeking confirmation from each applicant that they were happy for those Members to remain in the room for consideration of their applications.

LSB/B.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 3.1 The Committee's attention was drawn to the Tewkesbury Borough Code of Conduct which was adopted by the Council on 24 January 2023 and took effect on 1 February 2023.
- 3.2 There were no declarations made on this occasion.

LSB/B.4 SEPARATE BUSINESS

4.1 On a proposal from the Chair, it was

RESOLVED T

That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely discussion of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

LSB/B.5 APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

(Exempt – Paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual)

5.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee **GRANTED** an application for a private hire driver's licence for a period of one year, subject to a condition requiring the applicant to undergo an in person English assessment with a Licensing Officer at the time of renewal. If at that point there were concerns about his fluency, he would be referred to the Licensing Sub-Committee for a decision.

LSB/B.6 APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

(Exempt – Paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual)

6.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee **REFUSED** an application for a private hire driver's licence as the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

LSB/B.7 APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

(Exempt – Paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual)

7.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee **GRANTED** a private hire driver's licence for a period of one year, subject to completion of a Blue Lamp driver assessment course at the applicant's expense.

LSB/B.8 APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

(Exempt – Paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual)

8.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee **REFUSED** an application for a private hire driver's licence as the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

LSB/B.9 APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

(Exempt – Paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual)

9.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee **REFUSED** an application for a private hire driver's licence as the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

The meeting closed at 4:55 pm