

## **BROADLAND LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Broadland Licensing and Regulatory Committee of Broadland District Council, held on Thursday, 6 July 2023 at 10.31 am.**

**Committee Members Present:** Councillors: S Catchpole (Chairman), N Brennan and A Miah

**Officers in Attendance:** S Harris (Licensing Team Leader), C Norman (Licensing and Enforcement Officer), D Lowens (Legal Advisor - NPLaw) and J Hammond (Democratic Services Officer)

**Also in Attendance:** The licence holder and their representative

### **7. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Upon receipt of the evidence provided by the Driver, Cllr A Miah became aware that the complainant was known to him. He confirmed that he had not discussed the hearing with the complainant in advance of the meeting nor was he pre-determined. The Driver confirmed that they were happy for the meeting to proceed with Cllr Miah on the Panel.

### **8. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies for absence were received.

### **9. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The Committee passed a resolution under section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that the consideration of the items is likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 3 and 7 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

### **10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE OPERATOR AND DRIVER LICENSING - TO CONSIDER MATTERS INVOLVING A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER**

(The applicant and one representative were in attendance for the consideration of this item)

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the procedure for determining the application.

The Licensing and Enforcement Officer outlined her report and drew attention to the key areas for member consideration.

The applicant referred to the offence that had occurred and apologised for their actions and the breach in licensing conditions. They responded to a number of questions from both members and the Legal Advisor.

The applicant, their representative and the Licensing and Enforcement Officer then left the meeting whilst members determined the application.

They were then readmitted to the meeting and the Chairman announced the decision.

It was

### **RESOLVED**

The licence will be suspended for 34 days or until the Driver successfully completes a safe and considerate driving course, whichever occurs first. This suspension shall have immediate effect, under public safety grounds.

In respect of the failure to notify the council of the conditional caution within the time required, a formal written warning will be issued.

(The meeting concluded at 12.30 pm)

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Chairman