



Regulatory Subcommittee

14:00 to 14:45

10 December 2018

Present: Councillors Malik (chair), Fullman and Maxwell (substitute for Councillor Brociek-Coulton)

Apologies: Councillors Bradford, Brociek-Coulton and Henderson

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of item 3* below on the grounds contained in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

3* Application for renewal of a private hire drivers licence: case number 18/01486/PHDRIV (Paragraphs 1 and 3)

(The licence holder, his legal representative and the licensing assistant were admitted to the meeting. The licence holder produced his DVLA licence for inspection by the committee. The licensing assistant confirmed that a copy of the report had been sent to the licence holder with a letter about the meeting. A copy of the report was provided to the licence holder at the meeting.)

The licensing assistant presented the report.

The licence holder explained the circumstances of his conviction. His legal representative explained the chronology of events. The licence holder stated that he had notified the council regarding his conviction. However, the licensing assistant said the correct notification had not been provided by the applicant.

In reply to questions from members the licence holder confirmed that this was his only employment and he supported his family on the income from this employment.

(The licence holder, his legal representative and the licensing assistant left the meeting at this point.)

RESOLVED, unanimously, to grant renewal of Norwich City Council hackney carriage drivers licence no. 18/01486/PHDRIV. The subcommittee had considered that the offence was not relevant to the driving skills of the applicant or relevant to the carriage of passengers. Concern was noted that the proper notification regarding the applicant's conviction had not been received. However, members did not consider that the applicant's failure was of such a serious nature that it would justify the refusal of his application.

(The licence holder, his legal representative and the licensing assistant were admitted to the meeting. The legal advisor informed the applicant of the subcommittee's decision and listed the reasons for this decision as minuted above. The legal advisor advised the licence holder that he would receive written notification of the subcommittee's decision. The licence holder, his legal representative and the licensing assistant then left the meeting.)

CHAIR



Regulatory Subcommittee

14:00 to 15:15

11 February 2019

Present: Councillors Malik (chair), Ackroyd, Stewart and Thomas (Va)

Apologies: Councillor Ryan

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of items 3* and 4* below on the grounds contained in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

3* Application for grant hackney carriage drivers licence - application reference:1900005HACKD (Paragraphs 1 and 3)

(The licence holder and the environmental protection, licensing and markets manager were admitted to the meeting. The applicant produced his DVLA licence for inspection by the committee. A copy of the report was provided to the applicant at the meeting.)

The environmental protection, licensing and markets manager presented the report.

The applicant explained the circumstances of his conviction. He said he was trying to improve his life circumstances by applying for a licence.

(The applicant and the environmental protection, licensing and markets manager left the meeting at this point.)

RESOLVED, unanimously, to grant hackney carriage drivers licence – application referenced 1900005HACKD . The subcommittee had considered that the applicant had convictions which were a matter of considerable concern. The committee gave weight to the number of years passed since the offences took place. It noted that the offences related to a single occasion arising from a stressful event which was unlikely to be repeated. The applicant had worked in public facing roles since and responded appropriately in stressful situations. On balance the committee were satisfied the applicant was a fit and proper person.

(The applicant and the environmental protection, licensing and markets manager were admitted to the meeting. The legal advisor informed the applicant of the subcommittee's decision and listed the reasons for this decision as minuted above. The legal advisor advised the applicant that he would receive written notification of the subcommittee's decision. The applicant and the environmental protection, licensing and markets manager then left the meeting.)

**4* Suspension/revocation of Norwich City Council private hire drivers
 licence no: 18/01753/PHDRIV (Paragraphs 1 and 3)**

(The licence holder and the environmental protection, licensing and markets manager were admitted to the meeting. The licence holder produced his DVLA licence for inspection by the committee. A copy of the report was provided to the licence holder at the meeting. Minutes of a previous regulatory subcommittee the licence holder attended were circulated to members)

The environmental protection, licensing and markets manager presented the report.

The licence holder explained the circumstances of the charge against him which he did not refute. He said the incident had left him in a state of shock and he regretted his actions at the time. He said he had been a taxi driver for seven years and he supported his family through his work. He said he was unhappy with the way the police had treated him and reacted stubbornly as a result of this.

(The licence holder and the environmental protection, licensing and markets manager left the meeting at this point.)

RESOLVED, unanimously, to warn licence holder No: 18/01753/PHDRIV regarding his future conduct and to take no further action.

(The licence holder and the environmental protection, licensing and markets manager were admitted to the meeting. The legal advisor informed the applicant of the subcommittee's decision. The licence holder was reminded that should he receive a conviction he was obliged to advise the licensing department of this. The legal advisor advised the licence holder that he would receive written notification of the subcommittee's decision. The licence holder and the environmental protection, licensing and markets manager then left the meeting.)

**5* Application for grant private hire drivers licence – application ref:
 18/01776/PHDRIV (Paragraphs 1 and 3)**

RESOLVED, unanimously, to adjourn application for grant private hire drivers licence – application ref: 18/01776/PHDRIV to the next meeting of regulatory subcommittee.