# **South Cambridgeshire District Council**

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Appeals Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, 14 February 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT:

Sub-Committee: (Chair) Councillor Mark Howell

Councillor Corinne Garvie Councillor Peter Sandford

Officers: Paul Weller Legal Adviser

John Goodwin Regulatory Support Officer Keira Mbye Democratic Service Officer

Natasha Wade-Guest Licencing Technical Support Officer

(Observer)

#### 1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 2. Exclusion of Press and Public

The press and public were excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with the provisions of Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act).

## 3. Introductions / Procedure

The Chair of the Sub-Committee welcomed those present and introduced him/herself; the remaining members of the Sub-Committee and the officers then introduced themselves.

## 4. Fit and proper status to hold a Private Hire Driver licence

The Sub-Committee decided on the balance of probabilities it was reasonable to approve the **revocation** of the Private Hire Driver Licence.

 The Sub-Committee believe insurance is paramount to a taxi drivers' profession and therefore, not having insurance put the public at an unacceptable risk and saw no reason to deviate from the policy below:

The South Cambridgeshire District Council Previous Convictions Policy states the following under section 13: -

## 13.) 'Other motoring offences

b) A major traffic or vehicle related offence is one which is not covered above and also any offence which resulted in injury to any

person or damage to any property (including vehicles). It also includes **driving without insurance**, or any offence connected with motor insurance. Where an applicant has a conviction for a major traffic offence or similar offence, a licence will not be granted until at least 7 years have elapsed since the completion of any sentence imposed.'

	The Meeting ended at 10.40 a.m.
The highlighted	I above was requested by the Sub-Committee.