PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB COMMITTEE

5 OCTOBER 2021

Present: Councillor Mackie(Chairperson)

Councillors Sattar and Goddard

1 : EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The following item is confidential and exempt from publication as it contains exempt information of the description contained in paragraph 14 of Part 4 and paragraph 21 of Part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. The public may be excluded from the meeting by resolution of the Committee pursuant to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 during discussion of this item.

2 : HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE MATTERS

RESOLVED – That the following matters be dealt with as indicated:

(1) Case 1

Application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence refused.

(2) Case 2

The Sub Committee were asked to consider a report regarding the conduct of a driver. Members were advised that the driver had continued to work for a number of different operators after testing positive for coronavirus and being instructed to self-isolate.

The driver confirmed that he received a PCR test for coronavirus on 16 July 2021. On 17 July 2021 he was contacted by Track and Trace who confirmed that his test result was positive. He was instructed to self-isolate for 10 days. The driver stated that he did not self-isolate and he continued to work continuously throughout the period, accepting fares and transporting passengers.

Officers also raised concerns that driver was not living at the address he provided to the Licensing Authority. He had used a false residential address for both his Hackney Carriage/Private Hire application and his DVLA licence. He subsequently confirmed that was living at a different address with another person. This was contrary to the information he provided to Track and Trace who were advised that he lived alone.

RESOLVED – That the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence be revoked for unacceptable conduct.

The meeting terminated at Time Not Specified