## LICENSING DRIVER PANEL 13/03/2018 at 9.30 am



Present: Councillor Briggs (Chair)

Councillors A. Alexander, Cosgrove, Garry, Gloster, McLaren

and Shuttleworth

Also in Attendance:

Russell Williams Senior Licensing Officer, Oldham

Metropolitan Borough Council

(OMBC)

David Joy Solicitor, OMBC

Fabiola Fuschi Constitutional Services Officer,

OMBC

#### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received.

## 2 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business received.

### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

## 4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

### 5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Licensing Driver Panel meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 be approved as a correct record.

#### 6 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

**RESOLVED** that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they contain exempt information under paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and it would not, on balance, be in the public interest to disclose the reports.

## 7 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - RENEWAL OF A DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE (DP/2018/13)

#### **RESOLVED that:**

- 1. Based on the information provided to the Panel, having considered the nature of the Applicant's previous convictions and taking into account Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council's conviction guidelines adopted in November 2016, the Panel agreed that the application to renew a dual hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence be GRANTED;
- 2. The licence be SUSPENDED for a period of 180 days;
- **3.** A warning be given as to future conduct.

The Panel also recommended that the Applicant undertake the relevant NVQ training course during the period of suspension.





## 8 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR DUAL DRIVER LICENCE (DP/2018/14)

**RESOLVED** that based on the information provided to the Panel, having considered the Applicant's previous convictions and taking into account Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council's conviction guidelines adopted in November 2016, the Panel agreed that the application for a dual hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence be REFUSED.

#### NOTES:

- 1. The Applicant and his representative attended the meeting and addressed the Panel.
- 2. A letter written by the Applicant was provided to the Panel during the meeting.

# 9 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR DUAL DRIVER LICENCE (DP/2018/15)

**RESOLVED** that, based on the information provided to the Panel, including information provided by Greater Manchester Police, the nature and the number of the Applicant's previous convictions and taking into account Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council's conviction guidelines adopted in November 2016, the Panel agreed that the application for a dual hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence be REFUSED.

#### NOTES:

- 1. The Applicant attended the meeting and addressed the Panel.
- 2. Several character reference letters were provided to the Panel in advance of the meeting.

# 10 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - RENEWAL OF A DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE (DP/2018/16)

**RESOLVED** that, based on the information provided to the Panel, the Applicant's previous convictions and taking into account Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council's conviction guidelines adopted in November 2016, the Panel agreed that the application to renew a dual hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence be GRANTED and the licence be SUSPENDED for a period of 21 days.

NOTE: the Applicant attended the meeting and addressed the Panel.

## 11 LICENSING DRIVERS PANEL - APPEALS UPDATE

**RESOLVED** that the information concerning the appeals against Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council's decisions be noted.



The meeting started at 9.30 am and ended at 11.55 am