

LICENSING DRIVER PANEL
04/04/2023 at 9.30 am



Present: Councillor Surjan (Chair)
Councillors Byrne, Cosgrove, C. Gloster, McLaren, Shuttleworth
and Wilkinson

Also in Attendance:

Alan Evans	Solicitor
Susan Loftus	Licensing Projects and Hearings Officer
Nicola Lord	Principal Licensing Officer
Kaidy McCann	Constitutional Services

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**

Councillor Surjan declared an other interest at item 8 and took no part in the discussion or vote thereon.

4 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received.

5 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 7th March 2023 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 **DP/2023/10**

RESOLVED that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having considered the Driver's conduct and taking into account Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council's 'Statement of Fitness and Suitability (Private Hire and Hackney Carriage)', approved by the Council in March 2018, the current dual hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence be **SUSPENDED** for a period of **ONE MONTH**.

NOTE: the driver attended the meeting to address the Panel.

- 8 **DP2023/11**
RESOLVED that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having considered the Driver's conduct and taking into account Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council's 'Statement of Fitness and Suitability (Private Hire and Hackney Carriage)', approved by the Council in March 2018, the current dual hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence be REVOKED.
- NOTE: the driver attended the meeting to address the Panel.
- 9 **DP/2023/12**
RESOLVED that, based on the information provided to the Panel, the application from a Private Hire Operator for permission to display advertisements on a private hire vehicle for a sign to recruit drivers and assistants in the local area and to advertise and inform people of the 'Centre Algarve' which was Europe's only specialist holiday Centre for people with special needs and their families be GRANTED.
- NOTE: the operator attended the meeting to address the Panel.
- 10 **DP/2023/13**
RESOLVED that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having considered the Driver's conduct and taking into account Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council's 'Statement of Fitness and Suitability (Private Hire and Hackney Carriage)', approved by the Council in March 2018, the current dual hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence be REVOKED with IMMEDIATE EFFECT.
- NOTE: the driver attended the meeting to address the Panel.
- 11 **APPEALS UPDATE 04/04/2023**
RESOLVED that the Appeals Update be noted.

The meeting started at 9.30 am and ended at 11.53 am