Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Licensing and Regulatory Committee held at 9.30 am on Tuesday, 24 October 2023

Present:

Members: Councillor F Abbott (Chair)

Councillor S Gray
Councillor G Hayre
Councillor A Hopkins
Councillor J Innes
Councillor S Keough
Councillor R Lakha
Councillor R Lancaster
Councillor J Lepoidevin
Councillor A Masih
Councillor R Thay
Councillor CE Thomas

Employees (by Directorate):

Law and Governance S Ahmed, U Patel, T Robinson

Regulatory Services M Coggins, S Beechey

In Attendance (Observers):

Law and Governance S Manhertz (Trainee Solicitor)

E McKindley (Trainee Solicitor)

Apologies: Councillor T Jandu

Public Business

37. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

38. Minutes

The Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 26 September 2023 were agreed and signed as a true record.

39. Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the items of business indicated below on the grounds that those items involve the likely disclosure of

exempt information, as defined in Schedule 12A of that Act, in particular those paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule as indicated:

Minute No.	Subject	Relevant paragraphs of Part 1of Schedule 12A
42	Applications for Grant/Suitability to hold Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Drivers' Licence	1 & 3

40. Outstanding Issues Report

There were no outstanding issues.

41. Any other items of public business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved

There were no other items of public business.

42. Applications for the Grant/Suitability to hold Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Drivers' Licences

RESOLVED that, having considered the circumstances set out in the report of the Chief Legal Officer now submitted,

(a) The application for the Grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence be refused.

(Note: The consideration of this application was adjourned from the previous meeting of the Committee to allow the applicant a further opportunity to attend the meeting. The Applicant did not attend this meeting either, therefore the application was considered in his absence).

(b) The application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be refused.

(Notes: i) Councillors J Lepoidevin and A Masih did not vote on this application as they had left the meeting. ii) The Applicant, his union representative and his brother attended the meeting in support of his case).

(c) The application for the review of a Private Driver's Licence be revoked.

(Notes: i) Councillors A Hopkins, J Innes, R Lancaster, J Lepoidevin, A Masih and R Thay did not vote on this application as they had left the meeting. ii) The Applicant and his friend attended the meeting in support of his case).

(d) The application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be refused.

(Note: The Applicant and his legal representative attended the meeting in support of his case).

43. Any other items of private business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved

There were no other items of private business.

(Meeting closed at 2.25 pm)