

<b>Report to:</b>	<b>PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE</b>
<b>Relevant Officer:</b>	Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Service
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	21 February 2017

## **PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCES**

### **1.0 Purpose of the report:**

1.1 To consider applicants who have been convicted of offences or who have otherwise given reasons for concern.

### **2.0 Recommendation(s):**

2.1 The Sub-Committee will be requested to determine the applications as appropriate.

### **3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):**

3.1 Licensed drivers can be responsible for transporting vulnerable passengers. It is important for the protection of the public that only fit and proper persons are licensed.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

None, as the Sub-Committee is required to determine the applications.

### **4.0 Council Priority:**

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is "The Economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool"

### **5.0 Background Information**

5.1 The Sub-Committee is asked to determine whether or not the applicants are fit and proper persons to hold a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle driver's licence,

in respect of the following cases:

J.R.P (New Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver Applicant)

S.M.A (New Private Hire Vehicle Driver Applicant)

5.2 Details of offences or matters causing concern and any supporting documents are attached at Appendix 4(a).

5.3 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? Yes

**5.4 List of Appendices:**

Appendix 4(a) Details of cases (not for publication)

**6.0 Legal considerations:**

6.1 The Sub-Committee must be satisfied that the applicants are fit and proper persons to be licensed.

6.2 There is the right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court.

**7.0 Human Resources considerations:**

7.1 None

**8.0 Equalities considerations:**

8.1 None

**9.0 Financial considerations:**

9.1 None

**10.0 Risk management considerations:**

10.1 None

**11.0 Ethical considerations:**

11.1 None

**12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:**

12.1 None

**13.0 Background papers:**

13.1 None