

Report to:	PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Service
Date of Meeting	21 March 2017

PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCES

1.0 Purpose of the report:

- 1.1 To consider an applicant who has been convicted of offences or who has otherwise given reasons for concern.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

- 2.1 The Sub-Committee will be requested to determine the application 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 application.

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 applicant is a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle driver's licence , in

respect of the following case:

D.R.B (New Hackney Carriage and Private Hire 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Appendix 4(a) Details of cases (not for publication)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 applicant is a fit and proper person 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