

<b>Report to:</b>	<b>PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB COMMITTEE</b>
<b>Relevant Officer:</b>	Lee Petrak, Trading Standards and Licensing Manager
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	28 July 2020

## **APPLICATION TO LICENCE A MODIFIED HORSE-DRAWN HACKNEY CARRIAGE**

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

1.1 To consider an application to licence a Cinderella-style Horse Drawn Hackney Carriage.

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

2.1 To determine whether this carriage is suitable to be licensed as a Horse-Drawn Hackney Carriage.

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

3.1 Licensed horse-drawn hackney carriages are responsible for transporting passengers. It is important for the protection of the public that only carriages that are suitable and fit for purpose to be 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.

### **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 On the 16 July 2020, Donald Edwards made an application to licence a Modified Horse-Drawn Hackney Carriage.

5.2 The Sub-Committee decided at its meeting on the 23 September 2010 to permit any style carriage however any carriages that were not of the traditional style were required to be produced before the Sub-Committee for approval.

5.3 Since the 21 October 2010 up until the 9 July 2019 the Public Protection Sub-Committee has licensed 24 non-traditional style Horse-Drawn Hackney Carriages.

5.4 This carriage has not previously been licensed as a Blackpool Council Horse Drawn Hackney Carriage previously and was recently tested on the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020 by our approved inspector and was passed fit for use.

5.5 Approval from the Sub-Committee is required as this carriage would replace a traditional carriage and increase the number of licensed non-traditional style carriages.

5.6 The applicant has been invited to attend the meeting and I took photographs of the carriage during the inspection, which I have attached at appendix 2(a).

5.7 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? Yes

### **List of Appendices:**

a) Appendix 2(a) – Photographs of carriage

## **6.0 Legal considerations:**

6.1 The Head of Legal Services will be represented to advise the Sub-Committee

## **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