

Report to:

PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

Relevant Officer:

Lee Petrak, Trading Standards and Licensing Manager

Date of Meeting

8 December 2020

PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCES

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider licence holders 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 application and referrals 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 and referrals

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 licence holders are fit

and proper persons to hold Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle driver's licences , in respect of the following cases:

P.A.S (Existing), L.M (Existing)

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

5.3 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? Yes

List of Appendices:

Appendix 4(a) - PAS Details of cases (not for publication)

Appendix 4(b) - LM Details of cases (not for publication)

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 The Sub-Committee must be satisfied that the applicant and licence holders 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