Report to:	**PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE**
Relevant Officer:	Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Services
Date of Meeting	21st July 2015

HORSE-DRAWN 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 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 referrals.

4.0   Council Priority:

4.1   The relevant Council Priority is "Safeguard and protect the most vulnerable".

5.0   Background Information

5.1   The Sub-Committee is asked to determine whether or not licence holders are fit and proper persons to hold a Horse-Drawn Hackney Carriage driver's licence , in respect of the following cases:

M.L (Existing), D.P (Existing)

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

Does the information submitted include any exempt information?   Yes

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Appendix 4(a) Details of cases (not for publication)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