

Report to:	PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Lee Petrak, Trading Standards and Licensing Manager
Date of meeting:	5 December 2023

PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

1.0 Purpose of the report

1.1 To consider a licence holder who has been convicted of offences or who has otherwise given reasons for concern.

2.0 Recommendation(s)

2.1 To determine the referrals as appropriate.

3.0 Reason 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.

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

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

4.0 Other alternative options to be considered

4.1 None, as the Sub-Committee is required to determine the application and referrals.

5.0 Council priority

5.1 The relevant Council priority is:

- 'The economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool'

6.0 Background and key information

6.1 The Sub-Committee is asked to determine whether or not the applicants are fit and proper persons to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence in respect of the following case:

R.G.K (Existing)

6.2 Details of offences or matters causing concern and any supporting documents are attached at Appendices 3(a) to 3(e).

6.3 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? Yes

7.0 List of appendices

7.1 Appendix 3(a) R.G.K Details of case (not for publication)
Appendix 3(b) R.G.K Email from R.G.K (not for publication)
Appendix 3(c) R.G.K Pre-Sentencing Report (not for publication)
Appendix 3(d) R.G.K Email from Police Licensing (not for publication)
Appendix 3(e) R.G.K Application Form (not for publication)

8.0 Financial considerations

8.1 None.

9.0 Legal considerations

9.1 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

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

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

10.0 Risk management considerations

10.1 None.

11.0 Equalities considerations and the impact of this decision for our children and young people

11.1 None.

12.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations

12.1 None.

13.0 Internal/external consultation undertaken

13.1 None.

14.0 Background papers

14.1 None.