

Minutes of the meeting of the **REGULATORY COMMITTEE** held at the Council Offices, Whitfield on Tuesday, 16 April 2019 at 10.05 am.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor B W Butcher

Councillors: P M Brivio
B Gardner
D P Murphy

Officers: Head of Governance
Licensing Team Leader
Democratic Services Officer

38 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received from Members.

39 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

There were no substitute Members appointed.

40 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made by Members.

41 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 12 March 2019 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

42 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION TO LICENCE VEHICLE OUTSIDE OF POLICY GUIDELINES

The Licensing Team Leader informed the Committee that Mr Adrian Bamblett had applied for permission to licence a Vauxhall Zafira (LY09 HMU) as a Private Hire Vehicle. The Committee was asked to consider the application as the vehicle was outside of the current vehicle age policy, being registered on 19 August 2009. The mileage at the time the application was made was 103,777 miles.

The applicant had been contacted prior to the hearing and was advised that the vehicle would need to be presented to the committee in order for it to be inspected. The policy stated that applicants should show sufficient reason for the Council to deviate from the policy.

Members were advised that the applicant had failed to attend the Hearing and there was no vehicle present to inspect. Members were required to be satisfied that the condition of the vehicle was of a standard to be suitable as a private hire vehicle. As a result of the applicant's non-attendance Members were unable to find sufficient reason to deviate from the policy.

RESOLVED: That, in the absence of the applicant and the vehicle at the Hearing, the application to licence a Vauxhall Zafira (LY09 HMU) as a private

hire vehicle be refused by reason that there was not sufficient evidence to deviate from the policy.

The meeting ended at 10.10 am.