

North Yorkshire Council

General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday, 17 April 2026 commencing at 11.30 am.

Councillors Derek Bastiman, Tim Grogan and Subash Sharma.

Officers present: Jane Graham - Democratic Services Officer, Sarah Owen - Regulatory Solicitor and Lisa Templeton – Licensing Enforcement Officer.

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

1 Election of Chair

Decision

That Councillor Tim Grogan be elected as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

(Councillor Grogan in the Chair)

2 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

3 Disclosures of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Procedure for meeting

Decision

The Sub Committee agreed the procedure for the meeting as outlined by the Chair.

5 Exclusion of the press and public

Decision

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public were excluded from the meeting during consideration of the item of business at minute no 6 on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as the Panel was satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

6 Application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver Licence

The Corporate Director – Environment asked the sub-committee to consider whether the

applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Options available to the sub-committee

- To grant the application
- To refuse the application

Decision

The sub-committee was persuaded by the applicant that, on the balance of probability, they were a fit and proper person and an exception to paragraph 495 (now paragraph 515) of the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy should be made and the application granted.

The meeting concluded at 11.59 am.