

**Minutes of the General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee
North Yorkshire Council
25 February 2025 and 26 March 2025**

Panel Members: Councillor Andy Paraskos
Councillor Tim Grogan (Chair)
Councillor Andrew Lee

Officers in attendance: Mr Mark Heaton (Area Licensing Manager)
Ms Victoria Waudby (Regulatory Solicitor)
Mr Stephen Loach (Democratic Services Officer)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mr McElvaney, (Applicant) and his assistant

1 Election of Chair

Resolved:

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

2 Apologies for Absence

There were no other apologies for absence.

3 Disclosures of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Procedure for Meeting

Resolved -

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

5 Application for a licence to operate a dog breeding establishment

Members considered the following:

The sub-committee considered the following:-

- The 25 February 2025 meeting papers, including the report from the Area Licensing Manager,
- Documentation provided by the Applicant,
- Oral evidence from the Area Licensing Manager,
- Oral evidence from the applicant and his assistant

The panel also had regard to the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) Regulations 2018 and the relevant statutory guidance.

The Licensing Officer and verbal presentation by the applicant were provided. Cross questioning was undertaken following the presentations.

Resolved –

That the Sub-Committee of the 25 February 2025 be adjourned for four weeks to allow the Applicant a further and final opportunity to provide evidence to satisfy the members that the licence conditions will be complied with. The applicant was directed to provide their paperwork to the Licensing Officer in advance of the adjournment date.

The Committee reconvened on the 26 March 2025 with the same attendees

The required information, as detailed in the resolution, above, was provided to the satisfaction of the Area Licensing Manager.

Resolved -

That a licence be granted to Mr McElvaney, (Applicant), subject to the applicable standard and specific conditions, for a period of twelve months, for a maximum of twelve litters, with a two-star rating.

The sub-committee being satisfied that -

- the Applicant will meet the licence conditions,
- the applicable fee had been paid, and
- having considered the reports before them it was appropriate to grant the licence.

This decision has been taken in accordance with Regulation 4 of the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) Regulations 2018.