Minutes of the meeting of the LICENSING AND APPEALS HEARINGS PANEL held at 10.30 am on Monday, 30th June, 2014 at Main Committee Room, Civic Centre, Stone Cross, Northallerton

### Present

Councillor P Bardon (in the Chair)

Councillor Mrs J A Griffiths

Councillor

K G Hardisty

# LAHP.4 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

# THE DECISION:

That Councillor Bardon be elected Chairman for duration of the meeting.

(Councillor Bardon in the Chair)

# LAHP.5 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

#### THE 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 LAHP.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.

# LAHP.6 CONDUCT OF LICENSED HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER

# All Wards

# The subject of the decision:

The Director of Environmental and Planning Services asked the Panel to consider whether to revoke a hackney carriage/private hire vehicle driver licence.

#### Alternative options considered:

The Panel considered whether any action needed to be taken and, if so, whether to revoke the hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence.

# The reason for the decision:

The Panel considered the relevant representations of the parties, both written and oral, including the witness evidence, the Council's Vehicle and Driver Licensing Policy and the relevant legislation.

# THE DECISION:

Taking account of the above and having given appropriate weight to the evidence the Panel reached the following conclusions:-

The Panel decided that a written warning should be issued and the driver be required to undergo a driving assessment with a passenger safety element within six months of notification of the outcome of the hearing. The assessment should be formally approved by the Licensing Officer before the course is booked.

The meeting closed at 11.00 am

Chairman of the Panel