



RECORD OF OFFICER DECISION

Date: Tuesday, 1 July 2025

Time: 10.00 am

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1. Immediate Revocation of Dual Hackney/Private Hire Driver Licence

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Agenda Item 1

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NAME OF OFFICER MAKING DECISION	Charlotte Hudson Head of Housing & Community Services
SUBJECT OF DECISION BEING MADE BY OFFICER	Immediate Revocation of Dual Hackney/Private Hire Driver Licence held by [REDACTED]
SUMMARY OF OFFICER DECISION AND REASON FOR THAT DECISION	<p>Immediate evocation of [REDACTED] licence following the receipt of a complaint that that [REDACTED] made contact with a minor who had previously been a passenger in his licenced vehicle. He sent messages and a photograph to her mobile phone that were inappropriate and suggestive of sexual advances. Screen shots of the messages have been provided as evidence and identify [REDACTED] in clear images.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] In the interest of public safety the decision has been taken to revoke his Swale Dual Hackney/Private Hire Driver Licence with immediate effect.</p>
DATE OF OFFICER DECISION	01/07/2025
DETAILS OF ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED	To wait until the police have completed their investigation before taking action. This proposal was rejected as [REDACTED] would be able to continue working as a licenced driver and any delay would not be in the interest of public safety
DETAILS OF ANY CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN	Legal consultation with Contentious Lawyer Helen Ward
DETAILS OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS	None
CONTACT FOR ENQUIRIES/FURTHER INFORMATION	Johanna Thomas Licensing Team Leader Mohammad Bauluck Licensing Officer
DELEGATING COMMITTEE OR INDIVIDUAL	Head of Housing and Communities Delegation 2.8.18.43 To undertake all functions regarding Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.
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TITLE OF REPORT TO COMMITTEE	
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