#### **CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL**

Report to:-

THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE REGULATORY

**PANEL** 

Date of Meeting:-

6<sup>TH</sup> February 2013

Agenda Item No:-

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**Public** 

Operational

**Delegated Yes** 

Accompanying Comments and Statements	Required	included
Cumbria Fire Service	No	No
Cumbria Constabulary	No	No
Environmental Services	No	No

Title:-

RICHARD DAVID TROUGHTON- HACKNEY CARRIAGE

**DRIVER - NEW CONVICTIONS** 

Report of:-

**DIRECTOR OF GOVERNANCE** 

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Summary:-

Richard David Troughton is a licensed Hackney Carriage Driver with this Council. He has informed the Council that on12<sup>th</sup> November 2012 he was convicted of a speeding offence whilst driving his Hackney Carriage. He also informed the Council that on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2012 he received a further conviction for a speeding offence that occurred on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2012 whilst driving his own private vehicle.

#### Recommendation:-

To reach a decision from the options available, after hearing the evidence and any response from Mr Troughton, in accordance with Section 61 (1) (b) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.

J A Messenger Licensing Manager

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers:-

#### To the Chairman & Members of the Regulatory Panel on 6th February 2013

NAME Richard David Troughton

<u>ADDRESS</u> Gleneagles Drive, Carlisle

<u>AGE</u> 42

#### LICENSING HISTORY

Mr Troughton was first granted a Hackney Carriage Licence on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2007. At that time his driving licence was endorsed with a fixed penalty for speeding dated 20<sup>th</sup> July 2004. SP30

On 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009 he received a further fixed penalty for speeding in his Hackney Carriage, no passengers. SP30. This was dealt with by way of a warning letter. (see Appendix 1)

On 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2011 he received a further non-motoring related conviction for which he was fined £650 and given 40 hours community service.

#### LATEST CONVICTIONS

On 14<sup>th</sup> January 2013 Mr Troughton informed the Council that on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2012 a speed camera recorded his taxi travelling through Warwick Bridge at 39mph in a 30mph limit. He was not carrying any passengers at the time and received a £60 fixed penalty and 3 points (see Appendix 2 a & b)

Also on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2012 Mr Troughton informed us that he was convicted on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2012 for speeding in his own vehicle at 38mph in a 30 limit. This offence occurred on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012. He received a £135 fine and 3 points. (see Appendix 3)

#### **LEGISLATION**

Section 61 (1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, states that a District Council may suspend or revoke a Hackney Carriage Licence on a number of grounds.

Section 61 (1) (b) gives the grounds of "any other reasonable cause" (see Appendix 4)

#### **OPTIONS**

It is recommended that after hearing the evidence and any representations from Mr Troughton, members reach a decision in line with the options available.

- 1 To take no further action.
- 2 To issue him with a letter of warning
- 3 To suspend his Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers licence for a period of time.
- 4 To revoke his Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.
- As well as or instead of the above, to require him to sit and pass a Driving Standards Agency Taxi Driving Test

Prepared by Sue Stashkiw Licensing Officer x7029

## APPENDIXI



# **Legal & Democratic Services**

Director of Legal & Democratic Services: J M Egan LLB.
Civic Centre Carlisle CA3 8QG Telephone (01228) 817000 Fax (01228) 817023
Document Exchange Quote DX 63037 Carlisle Type talk 18001 01228 817000
Council Website www.carlisle.gov.uk

Mr R D Troughton Millholme Avenue Carlisle Cumbria CA2 4DP Please ask for:

Licensing Officer 01228 817523

Direct Line: E-mail:

E-mail: licensing@carlisle.gov.uk

Your Ref:

Fred Watson

7 July 2009

Dear Mr Troughton

#### **Speeding Conviction**

I understand that you have reported to my Licensing Officer that you were recently convicted of speeding on the 4th June 2009 and received a fixed penalty and 3 points on your licence.

I note that although you were in your taxi there were no fare paying passengers in the vehicle at the time. I intend therefore to deal with this by way of an official warning.

I must warn you therefore that should there be any further convictions, or indeed any breaches of the conditions of your Licence, you may have to appear before the Regulatory Panel where the options open to the members include the revocation or suspension of your Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence.

Yours sincerely.

Licensing Manager

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#### Form I

#### CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL

#### **DISCLOSURE OF ADDITIONAL CONVICTION**

I RICHARD DAVID TROUGHTON

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Signature of Licence Holder

# APPENDIX 2 (a)

#### Form I

#### CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL

### **DISCLOSURE OF ADDITIONAL CONVICTION**

I KICHARD TROUGHTON
of GLENEAGLES DRIVE
Date of Birth 24 01 1971.

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# PART II, 1976 ACT.

# SECTION 61.

# SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF DRIVERS' LICENCES.

- 3 Section 46 of the Act of 1847 or Section 51 of this Act, as the case may be) refuse to renew the licence of a driver of a Hackney Carriage or a Notwithstanding anything in the Act of 1847 or in any part of this Act, a District Council may suspend or revoke or (on application therefore under Private Hire vehicle on any of the following grounds:-
- (a) that he has since the grant of the licence:-
- (i) been convicted of an offence involving dishonesty, indecency or violence; or

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- (ii) been convicted of an offence under or has failed to comply with the provisions of the Act of 1847 or of this part of this Act; or
- (b) any other reasonable cause.
- Ø **a** grounds on which the licence has been suspended or revoked or on which they have refused to renew such licence within fourteen days of such suspension, revocation or refusal and the driver shall on demand return to the District Council the driver's badge issued to him in Where a District Council suspend, revoke or refuse to renew any licence under this Section they shall give to the driver notice of the accordance with Section 54 of this Act.
- ਉ conviction to a fine not exceeding Level 1 on the standard scale. If any person without reasonable excuse contravenes the provisions of this Section he shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary
- ω Any driver aggrieved by a decision of a District Council under this Section may Appeal to a Magistrates Court.

# NOTE

The above section is as amended by the Criminal Justice Act 1982.