SWT Licensing Sub-Committee

Thursday, 31st March, 2022, 11.00 am

The John Meikle Room - The Deane House

Members:

Agenda

1. Declarations of Interest

To receive and note any declarations of disclosable pecuniary or prejudicial or personal interests in respect of any matters included on the agenda for consideration at this meeting.

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3. Hearing to consider the fitness and propriety of a Taxi Driver to be granted a hackney carriage private hire vehicle driver's licence (Pages 5 - 28)

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