

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B - WEDNESDAY, 1 APRIL 2015

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOMS 2/3, CIVIC OFFICES ANGEL STREET BRIDGEND CF31 4WB ON WEDNESDAY, 1 APRIL 2015 AT 2.00 PM

Present

Councillor DRW Lewis – Chairperson

PA Davies

E Dodd

CJ James

PN John

Officers:

Andrea Lee

Senior Lawyer

Helen Picton

Service Manager Trading Standards

Andrew Rees

Senior Democratic Services Officer - Committees

11. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from the following Member for the reason so stated:

Councillor G W Davies MBE - Holiday.

12. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meetings of the Licensing Sub-Committee (B) held on 9 December 2014 and 3 February 2015 were approved as a true and accurate record.

13. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

14. APPLICATION TO LICENCE HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE

The Service Manager - Trading Standards submitted a report regarding an application by Parrott Motors to licence a Citroen Multispace vehicle registration number CA61 DCO as a hackney carriage vehicle to seat four persons. The first registration of the vehicle was on 9 February 2012. She stated that the vehicle had previously been registered with the Council since 9 February 2012 and the licence had now expired, despite the applicant being sent renewal reminders.

The applicant was present in support of the application and the Sub-Committee adjourned the meeting in order to view the vehicle.

On inspecting the vehicle, the mileage was confirmed as being 96,090 miles.

The applicant informed the Sub-Committee ownership of the vehicle had been transferred from the vehicle's previous owner to the applicant on 23 January 2015. He stated that the vehicle licence had lapsed due to an error on the part of the applicant recording the incorrect renewal date in the company's records and some had been required to be made to the vehicle.

The Service Manager - Trading Standards informed the Committee that the application fell outside the Policy guidelines for the first licensing of vehicles and which would normally be refused; however, a relaxation of the Policy may be considered in exceptional circumstances.

The Sub-Committee retired to consider the application further and on their return it was:

RESOLVED: That the Sub-Committee considered the application to licence a Citroen Multispace vehicle registration number CA61 DCO as hackney carriage vehicle to seat 4 persons and granted the application in view of the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

15. APPLICATION TO LICENCE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE

The Service Manager – Trading Standards submitted a report regarding an application by Mr Simon Jones to licence a Dacia Logan, vehicle registration number NA64 YGT as a private hire vehicle to seat four persons. The vehicle is pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 31 December 2014. There was no service history or MOT certificate as the vehicle had not reached the required mileage or age

The applicant was present in support of the application and the Sub-Committee adjourned the meeting in order to view the vehicle.

On inspecting the vehicle, the mileage was confirmed as being 733 miles.

The Service Manager - Trading Standards informed the Committee that the application fell outside the Policy guidelines for the first licensing of vehicles and which would normally be refused; however, a relaxation of the Policy may be considered in exceptional circumstances.

The Sub-Committee retired to consider the application further and on their return it was:

RESOLVED: That the Sub-Committee considered the application to licence a Dacia Logan vehicle registration number NA64 YGT as a private hire vehicle to seat 4 persons and granted the application in view of the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

16. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business as they contain exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 12 of Part 4 and Paragraph 21 of Part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

Following the application of the public interest test it was resolved that pursuant to the Act referred to above to consider the following items in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it was considered that in all the circumstances relating to the items, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, because the information would be prejudicial to the applicants.

17. APPROVAL OF EXEMPT MINUTES

18. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LICENCE

19. URGENT ITEMS

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There were no urgent items.

The meeting closed at 3.03 pm