

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE A - TUESDAY, 15 JANUARY 2019

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE A HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOMS 2/3, CIVIC OFFICES ANGEL STREET BRIDGEND CF31 4WB ON TUESDAY, 15 JANUARY 2019 AT 10:00

Present

Councillor DRW Lewis – Chairperson

SE Baldwin

TH Beedle

AA Pucella

JE Williams

Apologies for Absence

RJ Collins

Officers:

Katia Daw

Lawyer

Mark Galvin

Senior Democratic Services Officer - Committees

Yvonne Witchell

Team Manager Licensing

156. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

157. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee 'A' dated 27 November 2018, be approved as a true and accurate record.

158. APPLICATION TO LICENCE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report, which asked the Sub Committee to consider an application to grant a license for a Private Hire Vehicle.

The application was made by Richard Singleton, to licence a Mercedes V Class vehicle, registration number CV18 HTK as a private hire vehicle to seat 7 persons. The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 30 May 2018.

Members then proceeded to inspect the vehicle.

The Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was 19,884 miles. She stated that the vehicle fell outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee for the reasons outlined in the report. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible, but there were specific policy guidelines in respect of the first licensing of Vehicles which fell outside the policy guidelines outlined in paragraph 4.4 of the report.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to register the above vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.

Members noted that the application falls outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy due to its age.

Under paragraph 2.2 the policy can be relaxed in certain circumstances, and examples are given in 2.2.5 of the policy and include:-

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- The exceptional exterior and interior quality;
- Exceptional standards of safety

Having inspected the vehicle the Sub-Committee felt that such circumstances exist here, and it was happy to grant the licence.

159. APPLICATION TO LICENCE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report, which asked the Sub Committee to consider an application to grant a license for a Private Hire Vehicle.

The application was made by Peyton Travel, to licence a Dacia Logan, vehicle registration number CA65 OHE as a private hire vehicle to seat 4 persons. The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 31 December 2015.

Members then proceeded to inspect the vehicle.

The Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was 17,180 miles. She stated that the vehicle fell outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee for the reasons outlined in the report. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible, but there were specific policy guidelines in respect of the first licensing of Vehicles which fell outside the policy guidelines outlined in paragraph 4.4 of the report.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to register the above vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.

Members noted that the application falls outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy due to its age.

Under paragraph 2.2 the policy can be relaxed in certain circumstances, and examples are given in 2.2.5 of the policy and include:-

- The exceptional exterior and interior quality;
- Exceptional standards of safety

Having inspected the vehicle the Sub-Committee felt that such circumstances exist here, and it was happy to grant the licence.

160. APPLICATION TO LICENCE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report, which asked the Sub Committee to consider an application to grant a license for a Private Hire Vehicle.

The application was made by Peyton Travel, to licence a Dacia Logan Laureate, vehicle registration number CU66 ENE (and not EHE as specified in the report) as a private hire vehicle to seat 4 persons. The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 29 September 2016.

Members then proceeded to inspect the vehicle.

The Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was 29,988 miles. She stated that the vehicle fell outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee for the reasons outlined in the report. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible, but there were specific policy guidelines in respect of the

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first licensing of Vehicles which fell outside the policy guidelines outlined in paragraph 4.4 of the report.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to register the above vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.

Members noted that the application falls outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy due to its age.

Under paragraph 2.2 the policy can be relaxed in certain circumstances, and examples are given in 2.2.5 of the policy and include:-

- The exceptional exterior and interior quality;
- Exceptional standards of safety

Having inspected the vehicle the Sub-Committee felt that such circumstances exist here, and it was happy to grant the licence.

161. **APPLICATION TO LICENCE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE**

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report, which asked the Sub Committee to consider an application to grant a license for a Private Hire Vehicle.

The application was made by Peyton Travel, to licence a Ford Transit Custom, vehicle registration number WV14 OBZ as a private hire vehicle to seat 8 persons. The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 10 March 2014.

Members then proceeded to inspect the vehicle.

The Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was 75,084 miles. She stated that the vehicle fell outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee for the reasons outlined in the report. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible, but there were specific policy guidelines in respect of the first licensing of Vehicles which fell outside the policy guidelines outlined in paragraph 4.4 of the report.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to register the above vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.

Members noted that the application falls outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy due to its age.

Under paragraph 2.2 the policy can be relaxed in certain circumstances, and examples are given in 2.2.5 of the policy and include:-

- The exceptional exterior and interior quality;
- Exceptional standards of safety

Having inspected the vehicle the Sub-Committee felt that such circumstances exist here, and it was happy to grant the licence.

162. **APPLICATION TO LICENCE HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE**

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report, which asked the Sub Committee to consider an application to grant a license for a Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

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The application was made by James Bickerstaff, to licence a Nissan NV300, vehicle registration number WD18 XTJ as a hackney carriage vehicle to seat 8 persons. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible. The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 29 August 2018.

Members then proceeded to inspect the vehicle.

The Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was 281 miles. She stated that the application falls outside the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee. For members' information, there is no service history or supporting documentation on this vehicle, as the requirement for a service has not yet been reached. An Enforcement Officer viewed the vehicle on 18 December 2018 and the vehicle was presented in good condition.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to register the above vehicle as a Hackney Carriage.

Members noted that the application falls outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy due to its age.

Under paragraph 2.2 the policy can be relaxed in certain exceptional circumstances. There are guidelines for what constitutes exceptional. However, Members noted the exceptional exterior and interior quality, as well as the standards of safety.

Members were therefore happy to grant the license.

163. URGENT ITEMS

None.

164. 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 contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 and/or 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 so mentioned.

165. APPROVAL OF EXEMPT MINUTES

166. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LICENCES

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The meeting closed at 13:10