

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B - MONDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOMS 2/3, CIVIC OFFICES ANGEL STREET BRIDGEND CF31 4WB ON MONDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 10:00

Present

Councillor – Chairperson

A Hussain
G Thomas

RM James

JE Lewis

JR McCarthy

Apologies for Absence

PA Davies and B Jones

Officers:

Julie Ellams	Democratic Services Officer - Committees
Andrea Lee	Senior Lawyer
Yvonne Witchell	Team Manager Licensing

168. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

RESOLVED: That Councillor M James be appointed as the Chairperson in the absence of Cllr Pam Davies.

169. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr G Thomas declared a prejudicial interest in item 4, Application to Licence Hackney Carriage Vehicle, and left the meeting during consideration of this item because he knew the applicant.

170. APPLICATION TO LICENCE HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report asking the Sub-Committee to consider an application to grant a licence for a hackney carriage vehicle.

The application was made by Mr Christopher Jenkins to licence a Ford Tourneo vehicle registration number BV65 VZP as a hackney carriage vehicle to seat 8 persons. The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 19 November 2015.

The Team Manager Licensing advised that the application fell outside the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible.

For Members' information a service report had been provided dated 4 July 2017 with the mileage recorded at 29613, 21 May 2018 with mileage at 46721 and 11 June 2019 with mileage at 52198. MOT Test Certificates had also been provided for 6 July 2017 with the mileage recorded at 29747, 12 June 2018 with mileage at 49115 and 28 June 2019 with mileage at 55199. The current mileage of the vehicle was 57,279 miles.

The Team Manager Licensing referred the Sub-Committee to the relevant extract from the vehicle policy applicable to this application.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to licence vehicle registration BV65 VZP as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

Members noted that the application fell outside the policy guidelines due to the vehicles age.

Members further noted that the Policy at paragraph 4.4 allowed it to be relaxed in exceptional circumstances as detailed in the report.

Having examined the vehicle, the Sub-Committee felt that the vehicle was exceptional in terms of quality and safety qualities and therefore granted the licence.

171. APPLICATION TO LICENCE HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report asking the Sub-Committee to consider an application to grant a licence for a hackney carriage vehicle.

The application was made by Mr Karl Svensen to licence a Ford Transit Custom vehicle registration number LN66 NYZ as a hackney carriage vehicle to sit 8 People. The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA in September 2016. The application fell outside the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible. A service report had been provided dated 6 September 2019 with the mileage recorded at 56180 and an MOT Test Certificate had also been provided dated 6 September 2019 with the mileage recorded at 56181. The current mileage of the vehicle was 56,530.

The Team Manager Licensing referred the Sub-Committee to the relevant extract from the vehicle policy applicable to this application.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to licence vehicle registration LN66 NYZ as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

Members noted that the application fell outside the policy guidelines due to the vehicles age.

Members further noted that the Policy at paragraph 4.4 allowed it to be relaxed in exceptional circumstances as detailed in the report.

Having examined the vehicle, the Sub-Committee noted that there was significant damage to one of the panels and therefore refused the licence.

172. APPLICATION TO LICENCE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report asking the Sub-Committee to consider an application to licence a private hire vehicle.

The application was made by Forge Travel Limited to licence a Mercedes Vito vehicle registration number KV18 WPT as a private hire vehicle to seat 8 persons. The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 29 March 2018. The application fell outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible. A service report had been provided dated 22 July 2019 with the mileage recorded at 36093. The current mileage of the vehicle was 36,488.

The Team Manager Licensing referred the Sub-Committee to the relevant extract from the vehicle policy applicable to this application.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to licence Vehicle Registration number KV18 WPT as a Private Hire Vehicle.

Members noted that the application fell outside the Licensing Policy at paragraph 2.1 due to the vehicles age.

Members further noted that the Policy at paragraph 2.2 allowed it to be relaxed in exceptional circumstances, and examples of these were detailed in paragraph 2.4 of the Policy.

Having examined the vehicle, the Sub-Committee felt that the vehicle was exceptional in terms of its quality both interior, exterior and its safety qualities. The Sub-committee therefore granted the licence.

173. URGENT ITEMS

None

174. 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.

175. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LICENCES

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The meeting closed at 14:00