

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B - THURSDAY, 17 AUGUST 2017

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICES ANGEL STREET BRIDGEND CF31 4WB ON THURSDAY, 17 AUGUST 2017 AT 10.00 AM

Present

Councillor – Chairperson

RJ Collins  
MJ Kearn

T Giffard  
JE Lewis

RM James  
G Thomas

B Jones

Officers:

Kate Amos  
Andrew Rees  
Yvonne Witchell

Trainee Solicitor  
Senior Democratic Services Officer - Committees  
Team Manager Licensing

12. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor G Thomas declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 10 – Application for Grant of Licences as the driver is a friend. Councillor Thomas left the meeting prior to the application being considered.

13. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee of 11 April 2017 be approved as a true and accurate record.

14. APPLICATION TO LICENCE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE

The Team Manager Licensing submitted a report regarding an application by Mr Robert Sheldon to licence a Mercedes E Class Estate 220 CDI vehicle registration number MT14 UGV as a private hire vehicle to seat 4 persons. The vehicle is pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 18 June 2014.

Mr Sheldon attended in support of his application and the Sub-Committee adjourned the meeting in order to view the vehicle. On inspecting the vehicle, the mileage was confirmed as 19,892 miles. The Team Manager Licensing informed the Sub-Committee that the application falls outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy, but a relaxation maybe considered in exceptional circumstances.

The applicant informed the Sub-Committee that in the event of his application being successful, he proposed to use the vehicle as part of his fleet, for airport and cruise terminal transfers.

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

RESOLVED: That the Sub-Committee has considered the application to licence a Mercedes E Class Estate 220 CDI vehicle registration number MT14 UGV as a private hire vehicle to seat 4 persons.

The Sub-Committee has noted the application falls outside paragraph 2.1 of the Private Hire Vehicle Policy due to the age of the vehicle. The Sub-Committee has noted the provisions of paragraph 2.2.5 which allow a relaxation of the policy in exceptional circumstances. The Sub-Committee considers that such

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circumstances are met and granted the licence in view of exceptional exterior and interior quality of the vehicle and exceptional standards of safety.

15. URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items.

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 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.

17. APPROVAL OF EXEMPT MINUTES

18. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LICENCES

19. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LICENCES

20. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LICENCES

21. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LICENCES

22. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LICENCES

The meeting closed at 1.54 pm