

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B - TUESDAY, 28 AUGUST 2018

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOMS 2/3, CIVIC OFFICES ANGEL STREET BRIDGEND CF31 4WB ON TUESDAY, 28 AUGUST 2018 AT 10:00

Present

Councillor – Chairperson

B Jones

MJ Kearn

JE Lewis

G Thomas

Apologies for Absence

PA Davies and A Hussain

Officers:

Katia Daw

Lawyer

Andrea Lee

Senior Lawyer

Michael Pitman

Business & Administrative Apprentice

Yvonne Witchell

Team Manager Licensing

85. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

86. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes for the meeting of the Licencing Sub (B) for the 03/07/2018 be approved as a true and accurate record

87. 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 Paul A May to licence a Toyota Avensis, vehicle registration number FA17 JJX as a private hire vehicle to seat 4 persons. The vehicle was preowned and was first registered at the DVLA on 7 August 2017

The meeting was briefly adjourned for Members to inspect the vehicle.

Upon recommencing the meeting, the Legal Officer advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was at 17,086 miles. She stated that the vehicle fell outside the Private Hire Vehicle Policy approved by the Licencing Committee. The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible, but there were specific policy guidelines in respect of the first licensing of Private Hire Vehicles which fell outside the policy guidelines outlined in paragraph 4.4 of the report.

For members' information there was no service history provided as the requirement for servicing the vehicle has not been reached. An enforcement officer viewed the vehicle on 8 August 2018 and confirmed the mileage at the time as 17,084. The vehicle was presented in good condition with no visible issues or faults.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to licence Vehicle Registration number AO64 KVV as a Private Hire Vehicle.

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

Members further noted that the Policy at paragraph 2.2 allows 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.

88. URGENT ITEMS

None

89. 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.

90. APPROVAL OF EXEMPT MINUTES

91. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LICENCES

The meeting closed at 10:25