

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE A - TUESDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2018

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, 25 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 10:00

Present

Councillor – Chairperson

SE Baldwin
JE Williams

TH Beedle

DG Owen

AA Pucella

Apologies for Absence

RJ Collins and DRW Lewis

Officers:

Andrea Lee

Senior Lawyer

Michael Pitman

Business & Administrative Apprentice

Yvonne Witchell

Team Manager Licensing

132. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Members were required to election a Chairperson due to the absence of Councillor David Lewis (Chairperson). Members elected Councillor Stuart Baldwin.

133. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor David Lewis (Chairperson) and Councillor Richard Collins.

134. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

135. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Licensing Act 2003 Sub Committee (A) of the 12/07/2018 and the minutes of 31/07/2018 and 14/08/2018 be approved as a true and accurate record.

136. 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 Forge Travel Limited, to licence a Volkswagen Transporter, vehicle registration number GJ17 OCS as a private hire vehicle to seat 8 persons. The vehicle was preowned and was first registered at the DVLA on 28 March 2017

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

Upon recommencing the meeting, the Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was at 20,366 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 a service has not yet been reached. An enforcement officer view the vehicle on 14 September 2018 and the vehicle was presented in good condition with no visible issues or faults and the mileage was 19,959.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to licence Vehicle Registration number GJ17 OCS 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.

137. **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 Neil Davies, to licence a Skoda Superb, vehicle registration number KW18 FWM as a private hire vehicle to seat 4 persons. The vehicle was preowned and was first registered at the DVLA on 24 May 2018

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

Upon recommencing the meeting, the Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was at 2,350 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 a service has not yet been reached.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to licence Vehicle Registration number KW18 FWM 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.

138. 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.

The application was made by Peyton Travel Limited, to licence a Renault Master LM35 DCI 100, vehicle registration number BX61 GFV as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle to seat 8 persons. The vehicle was preowned and was first registered at the DVLA on 9 January 2012

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

Upon recommencing the meeting, the Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was at 89,117 miles. She stated that the vehicle was wheelchair accessible and was also fitted with an electronic tail lift and an electronic side door ramp. She stated that the vehicle fell outside the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Policy and is over the age set wheelchair accessible vehicles approved by the Licensing Committee.

For members' information a service history was provided for the following dates:

8 March 2013, Mileage 24,965
19 April 2015, Mileage 49,002
25 March 2017, Mileage 74,355
21 February 2018, Mileage 89,113

The vehicle was recently inspected by an enforcement officer on the 14 September 2018 and confirmed the mileage at the time as 89113. 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 BX61 GFV 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 with good disabled and wheelchair accessible equipment. The Sub-committee therefore granted the licence.

139. 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 Limited, to licence a Dacia Logan MCV Stepway, vehicle registration number LN67 FVD as a private hire vehicle to seat 4

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persons. The vehicle was preowned and was first registered at the DVLA on 28 September 2017

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

Upon recommencing the meeting, the Team Manager (Licencing) advised members that the current mileage of the vehicle was at 6,839 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 a service had not yet been reached. An enforcement officer viewed the vehicle on 14 September 2018 and the vehicle was presented in good condition with the mileage at 6836.

RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee considered the application to license Vehicle Registration number LN67 FVD 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 license.

140. URGENT ITEMS

None

141. 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 item of business as it 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 item in private, with the public excluded from the meeting, as it was considered that in all the circumstances relating to the item, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, because the information would be prejudicial to the applicant.

142. APPROVAL OF EXEMPT MINUTES

143. APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LICENCES

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The meeting closed at 11:35