

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

2 JULY 2019

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES

APPLICATION TO LICENCE HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to ask the sub-committee to consider an application to grant a licence for a hackney carriage vehicle.

2. Connection to corporate improvement objectives/other corporate priorities

- 2.1 There is no direct link to the Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority.

3. Background

- 3.1 It is the duty of the Local Authority to determine applications made under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and Town Police Clauses Act 1847. Applications which fall outside the policy guidelines are referred to a Licensing Sub-Committee for determination.

4. Current situation/proposal

- 4.1 Application is made by Karl Svensen, to licence a Dacia Logan Diesel Estate Car vehicle registration number WM65 GXC as a hackney carriage vehicle to seat 4 persons.
- 4.2 The vehicle is pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 31 December 2015.
- 4.3 The application falls outside the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee. The vehicle is not wheelchair accessible.
- 4.4 For Members' information a print out of the gov.uk MOT check history was provided with the vehicle and a further print out obtained on 14 June 2019 showing a Pass Certificate (Advisories given regarding inspection of adult seat belts because child seats fitted at the time of inspection) with a mileage on 20 December 2018 of 23899 miles.
- 4.5 A further Dacia vehicle inspection sheet has been submitted completed for services at 10276 miles on 6 April 2017 and 17654 miles on 16 February 2018.
- 4.6 Policy Guidelines

The vehicle policy applicable to this application was approved by the Licensing Committee on 10 March 2008. The relevant extract from the policy is as follows:

“(Policy 2.1) Applications for the first licensing of a hackney carriage or private hire vehicle should be submitted to the Council within 14 days of the first registration of the vehicle at the DVLA. The mileage at the time of application should be no greater than 500 miles. The applicant may be the second or a subsequent registered keeper but the applicant must demonstrate that there is no more than 14 days between the first registration and transfer to the applicant’s name. Applications will normally be dealt with under the Scheme of Delegation to Officers.

(Policy 2.2) Applications for the first licensing of vehicles falling outside the above policy guidelines will normally be refused but a relaxation of the policy may be considered in exceptional circumstances.

5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules

5.1 None

6. Equality Impact Assessment

6.1 This vehicle is not for wheelchair use. There are no other implications in relation to age; disability; gender and transgender; race; religion or belief and non-belief; sexual orientation.

7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications

7.1 The well-being goals identified in the Act were considered in the preparation of this report. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable impacts upon the achievement of well-being goals/objectives as a result of this report.

8. Financial implications

8.1 None for the authority

9. Recommendation

9.1 The Sub-Committee is asked to determine the application having regard to the information contained within this report.

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Background documents

Hackney Carriage Application

Hackney Carriage Vehicle Policy Guidelines