

**LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B - TUESDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER 2020**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE B HELD IN REMOTELY VIA SKYPE FOR BUSINESS ON TUESDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 10:00**

Present

Councillor PA Davies – Chairperson

A Hussain  
JR McCarthy

RM James  
G Thomas

B Jones

JE Lewis

Officers:

Mark Galvin

Senior Democratic Services Officer - Committees

Andrea Lee

Senior Lawyer

Michael Pitman

Democratic Services Officer - Committees

Yvonne Witchell

Team Manager Licensing

219. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

220. APPLICATION TO LICENCE HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE

The Chief Officer Legal, HR and Regulatory Services submitted a report, the purpose of which, was to ask the Sub-Committee to consider an application to grant a licence for a hackney carriage vehicle.

The applicant was not in attendance at the meeting, so therefore, the Legal Officer asked Members if they wished to consider the application in his absence.

Members unanimously agreed to this request.

The Team Manager – Licensing advised that an application had been made by Graham Thomas of Bridgend to licence a BMW 520D vehicle registration number BN66 BVF as a hackney carriage vehicle to seat 4 persons.

The vehicle was pre-owned and was first registered at the DVLA on 27 September 2016.

The application fell outside the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Policy approved by the Licensing Committee for the reasons outlined in paragraph 4.5 of the report.

The vehicle was not wheelchair accessible the Officer confirmed. A service report has been submitted dated 26 August 2018 with the mileage recorded as 11,509, 5 November 2019 with mileage at 27,500 and 10 March 2020 with mileage at 32,483. An MOT Certificate had also been submitted dated 16 July 2020 with the mileage recorded at 34,605.

On 15 September 2020 a Licensing Enforcement Officer inspected the vehicle and the vehicle was found to be in good condition. A Vehicle Assessment form is provided at Appendix A to the report. At the time of inspection the mileage was recorded at 34853.

Arising from consideration of the report by Members, it was

RESOLVED:

The Sub-Committee considered the application to register BN66 BVF as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

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Members noted that it fell outside of policy 2.1 of the Council's Licensing Policy, for the reasons outlined in the report.

Members noted that the policy could be relaxed as set out in para 2.2 of the policy, namely the exceptional interior and exterior quality and the exceptional standards of safety. As such, the Sub-Committee granted the licence.

The meeting closed at 11:00