

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE A - TUESDAY, 21 APRIL 2026

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE A HELD HYBRID IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER - CIVIC OFFICES, ANGEL STREET, BRIDGEND, CF31 4WB ON TUESDAY, 21 APRIL 2026 AT 10:00

Present

Councillor M Lewis – Chairperson

A R Berrow

O Clatworthy

Present Virtually

S J Bletsoe

J E Pratt

Officers:

Kirsty Evans
Mark Galvin
Katie Wintle
Michael Pitman

Team Manager - Licensing
Senior Democratic Services Officer - Committees
Lawyer
Technical Officer – Democratic Services

104. Apologies for Absence

Decision Made	Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R Collins and J Llewellyn-Hopkins
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105. Declarations of Interest

Decision Made	None
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106. Approval of Minutes

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u> That the minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee A dated 22 January and 24 February 2026 and the minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Act 2003 Sub-Committee A, be approved as a true and accurate record.
Date Decision Made	21 April 2026

107. Grant of Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence

Decision Made	The purpose of this report submitted by the Team Manager - Licensing was to ask Members to determine an application for the grant of a private hire vehicle licence which falls outside of the Licensing Committee's age policy guidelines. This vehicle was previously licensed as a hackney carriage, but the licence expired on 6 March 2026, and the proprietor failed to renew the licence. The proprietor has advised that the vehicle was not ready for testing and was waiting to be repaired, which is why the licence was not renewed. Details of the application received from Forge Travel Ltd, were contained in paragraph 3.1 and Appendix A of the report. Information on age policy guidelines were also detailed in the report. The Council's age policy for vehicles was that if the age of the vehicle subject of the application was over 5 years old, following its first registration, then the application had to be brought before a meeting of the Sub-Committee. In the case of this vehicle, the age of it was 6 years old. Members then retired from the meeting to inspect the vehicle.
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	Upon the meeting reconvening, the Team Manager – Licensing confirmed that the current mileage of the vehicle was 248,811. The applicant when asked, confirmed that he did not continue with the vehicle being licensed previously, due to the fact that it was not roadworthy and that he had to await for specific main component parts, in order to look to steps make an application to re-licence the vehicle. The Sub-Committee noted that the vehicle would be tested twice a year and had a current MOT. Members then retired to consider the application further and upon their return, <u>RESOLVED:</u> The Sub-Committee granted the application for a new vehicle license for vehicle registration number HY20 MDE, subject to the vehicle passing a new MOT.
Date Decision Made	21 April 2026

108. Grant of Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence

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	Members then retired from the meeting to inspect the vehicle. Upon the meeting reconvening, the Team Manager – Licensing confirmed that the current mileage of the vehicle was 243,715. The applicant when asked, confirmed that he did not continue with the vehicle being licensed previously, due to the fact that it was not roadworthy and that he had to await for specific main component parts, in order to look to steps make an application to re-licence the vehicle. The Sub-Committee noted that the vehicle would be tested twice a year and had a current MOT. Members then retired to consider the application further and upon their return, RESOLVED: The Sub-Committee granted the application for a new vehicle license for vehicle registration number HY19 NWC, subject to the vehicle passing a new MOT.
Date Decision Made	21 April 2026

109. Urgent Items

Decision Made	None
Date Decision Made	21 April 2026

110. Exclusion of the Public

Decision Made	RESOLVED:	The minutes and report relating to the following items are not for publication as they contain exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 and/or Paragraph 21 of Part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation)(Wales)
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	Order 2007. Following the application of the public interest test the Committee resolved pursuant to the Act to consider these items in private, with the public being excluded from the meeting during such consideration.
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111. Approval of Exempt Minutes

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u> That the exempt minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee A dated 22 February 2026, be approved as a true and accurate record.
Date Decision Made	21 April 2026

112. Disciplinary Hearing

Decision Made	This decision is exempt in accordance with Minute 110 above.
Date Decision Made	21 April 2026

To observe further debate that took place on the above items, please click this [link](#)

The meeting closed at 11.10 am.

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