

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (B) HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 2/3, CIVIC OFFICES, ANGEL STREET, BRIDGEND ON TUESDAY, 1 APRIL 2014 AT 10.00AM

Present:

Councillor D R W Lewis - Chairperson

Councillors

G W Davies MBE  
P A Davies  
E Dodd

Councillors

R D Jenkins  
P N John  
D G Owen

Officers:

Y Witchell - Licensing and Registration Officer  
J Evans - Legal Officer  
J Monks - Democratic Services Officer - Committees

349 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

350 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the previous meetings of the Licensing Sub-Committee held on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2013, 7<sup>th</sup> January 2014 and the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2014 were approved as a true and accurate record.

351 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

352 TOWN POLICE CLAUSES ACT 1847  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976  
APPLICATION TO LICENCE PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE

The Chairperson introduced those present.

The Assistant Chief Executive - Legal and Regulatory Services submitted a report regarding an application by Peyton Travel Ltd to licence a Vauxhall Vivaro vehicle, registration number LM60 XLB, as a private hire wheelchair accessible vehicle to seat eight persons.

The applicant was present in support of the application and the Sub-Committee adjourned the meeting in order to view the vehicle.

On inspecting the vehicle the mileage was confirmed as being 96,404 miles.

Upon their return, the Licensing and Registration Officer informed Members that the reason this application had been brought before the Committee was due to the vehicle being over three years old. She asked the applicant for an explanation.

The applicant explained that his company undertook work with day care centres and schools, as well as private pre-booked work, and his intention was to have all his vehicles converted for wheelchair access. He advised that the vehicle in question was registered in 2010 and is just over three years old and held a certificate of testing in respect of the floor tracking and wheelchair anchorage. The vehicle is capable of accommodating two wheelchairs and five passengers or one wheelchair and seven passengers.

The Sub-Committee retired to consider the application and upon their return it was

RESOLVED: That the Sub-Committee had listened to the representations, and taken into consideration the policy in relation to the private hire vehicle, and that the vehicle falls outside the Policy in respect of its age.

The Sub-Committee, following inspection of the vehicle was prepared to relax the Policy and therefore granted a licence for the Private Hire Vehicle to seat eight people.

353 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 contains exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4, and 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 this 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 applicants.

<u>Minute No.</u>	<u>Summary of Item:</u>
354	Confidential Minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee dated the 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2013 and the 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2014.
355	Application for the grant of Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's licence.
356	Review of Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicles Driver's licence.