

LICENSING PANEL

Thursday, 19 November 2009

Present:

Councillor S Taylor (Chair)

Councillors WJ Davies
A Taylor

D Knowles
J Salter

56 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

Resolved - That Councillor Sue Taylor be appointed Chair for this meeting.

57 **MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Members on the Panel were invited to consider whether they had a personal or prejudicial interest in connection with any of the items on the agenda and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of that interest.

Councillor B Davies declared an interest in the application of Mr SJG (minute 62 post) by virtue of him being acquainted with the applicant.

Councillors B Davies and D Knowles declared an interest in the application of Mr FH (minute 63 post) by virtue of them being acquainted with the applicant.

58 **OVER AGE VEHICLE - FORD GALAXY - Y634 UEN**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received to re-licence a Ford Galaxy, registration number Y634 UEN, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had already been re-licensed for a further six months under delegated powers on 20 April 2009. It had been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 4 June 2004 and had passed the compliance test necessary for a licence to be issued.

The owner of the vehicle was present at the meeting with his vehicle which members of the Panel inspected.

Resolved - That the application to re-licence the Ford Galaxy, registration number Y634 UEN be granted for a further six months due to the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

59 **OVER AGE VEHICLE - PEUGOT 406 - X729 TUA**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received to re-licence a Peugeot 406, registration number X729 TUA, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had already been re-licensed for a further six months under delegated powers on 30 November 2008 and on 31 May 2009 an application was granted by the Licensing Panel to grant a further six month licence.

It had been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 1 June 2006 and had passed the compliance test necessary for a licence to be issued.

The owner of the vehicle was present at the meeting with his vehicle which members of the Panel inspected.

Resolved - That the application to re-licence the Peugeot 406, registration number X729 TUA be granted for a further six months due to the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

60 **OVER AGE VEHICLE - FORD MONDEO - X696 HNA**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received to re-licence a Ford Mondeo, registration number X696 HNA, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had already been re-licensed for a further six months under delegated powers on 23 November 2008 and on 23 May 2009 an application was granted by the Licensing Panel to grant a further six month licence. It had been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 9 May 2003 and had passed the compliance test necessary for a licence to be issued.

The owner of the vehicle was present at the meeting with his vehicle which members of the Panel inspected.

Resolved - That the application to re-licence the Ford Mondeo, registration number X696 HNA be granted for a further six months due to the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

61 **EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved - That, under section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by the relevant paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act.

62 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - SJG**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr SJG for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr SJG attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his convictions.

Councillor Bill Daves declared a prejudicial interest in this matter by virtue of his acquaintance with the applicant and left the room during it's consideration.

Resolved - That Mr SJG's application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence be approved.

63 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - FSH**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr FSH to renew his Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr FSH attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his convictions.

Councillors Bill Davies and Denis Knowles both declared a prejudicial interest in this matter by virtue of them being acquainted with the applicant and left the meeting during its consideration.

Resolved - That Mr FSH's application to renew his Private Hire Driver's Licence be approved.

64 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - DJH**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr DJH for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr DJH attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his convictions.

Resolved - That Mr DJH's application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence be approved.

65 **HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - BPH**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr BPH for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence. Mr BPH did not attend the meeting.

Resolved - That Mr BPH be instructed to attend a future meeting of the Panel should he wish to pursue his application.

66 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - TSFJ**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr TSFJ for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr TSFJ attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his convictions.

Resolved - That Mr TSFJ's application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence be deferred pending references being forwarded by his previous employers.

67 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - PRK**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr PRK for the grant of a Home School Contract Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr PRK did not attend the meeting.

Resolved - That Mr PRK be instructed to attend a future meeting of the Panel should he wish to pursue his application.

68 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - PMM**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr PMM for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr PMM did not attend the meeting.

Resolved - That Mr PMM be instructed to attend a future meeting of the Panel should he wish to pursue his application.

69 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - AJM**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr AJM for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr AJM attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his conviction.

Resolved - That Mr AJM's application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence be approved.

70 **HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - ST**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr ST for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence. Mr ST attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his convictions.

Resolved - That Mr ST's application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence be approved.

71 **HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCE - CONVICTIONS INCURRED - MJR**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr MJR to consider whether he be allowed to continue to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence. Mr MJR attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his conviction.

Resolved - That Mr MJR be allowed to continue to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence.

72 **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR - PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - MR SRL**

The Chair agreed to the consideration of this matter as urgent business.

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received by Mr SRL for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence. Mr SRL attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his conviction.

Resolved - That Mr SRL's application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence be approved.

73 **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR - STREET COLLECTION FOR CHILDREN IN NEED**

The Director of Regeneration reported upon a request by Seven Ways Radio for a street collection with the proceeds to go to Children in Need.

Resolved - That the request for a street collection be granted.