



Licensing Panel

Date: Thursday, 19 November 2009

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Committee Room 3 - Wallasey Town Hall

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AGENDA

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

To appoint a Chair of the Panel.

2. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to consider whether they have any personal or prejudicial interests in connection with any of the items on this agenda and if so, to declare them and state what they are.

3. OVER AGE VEHICLE - FORD GALAXY - Y634 UEN (Pages 1 - 4)

4. OVER AGE VEHICLE - PEUGOT 406 - X729 TUA (Pages 5 - 10)

5. OVER AGE VEHICLE - FORD MONDEO - X696 HNA (Pages 11 - 16)

6. EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following items contain exempt information.

RECOMMENDATION: 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.

7. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - SJG (Pages 17 - 20)
8. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - FSH (Pages 21 - 24)
9. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - DJH (Pages 25 - 26)
10. HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - BPH (Pages 27 - 30)
11. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - TSFJ (Pages 31 - 32)
12. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - PRK (Pages 33 - 36)
13. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - PMM (Pages 37 - 40)
14. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - AJM (Pages 41 - 42)
15. HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - ST (Pages 43 - 52)
16. HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCE - CONVICTIONS INCURRED - MJR (Pages 53 - 54)
17. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR - PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - MR SRL (Pages 55 - 56)
18. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR - STREET COLLECTION FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

WIRRAL COUNCIL

LICENSING, HEALTH AND SAFETY AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
LICENSING PANEL – 19 NOVEMBER 2009

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION

PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE - APPLICATION

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Members are asked to consider whether they are willing to re-license the following vehicle: a Ford Galaxy, registration number Y634 UEN, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The current private hire vehicle licence conditions do not allow a vehicle to be licensed beyond the date eight years from the date of first registration, unless the Council is satisfied that the vehicle is suitable, having regard to mileage, appearance, condition and safety features. This condition relating to the age of the vehicle was imposed to improve the standard of vehicle being licensed for private hire.
- 2.2 Private hire vehicle licences are issued on a twelve monthly basis, however once a vehicle reaches six years old, six monthly licences are issued until the vehicle reaches eight years old.
- 2.3 Once a vehicle reaches eight years old, if the proprietor considers it to be in exceptional condition an application can be made to re-license the vehicle for a further six months. That licence can be issued under delegated authority, subject to the vehicle being inspected by officers and being considered to be suitable as in paragraph 2.1 above. Any further application cannot be granted under delegated authority and must be referred to the Licensing Panel.

3.0 APPLICATION

- 3.1 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Locke has applied to re-license the vehicle as he considers it to be in exceptional condition.
- 3.2 The vehicle has been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 4 June 2004 and the current licence expired on 19 October 2009.
- 3.3 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 19 April 2001.
- 3.4 On expiry of the previous licence on 20 April 2009, an application was made for a further six month licence, thereby extending it beyond the vehicle's eighth birthday and after inspection and a satisfactory compliance test at Walsh Autos, the Council's authorised testing station, the licence was granted under delegated powers.
- 3.5 The vehicle has been examined at Walsh Autos and the pass slip is attached to this report.

4.0 FINANCIAL & STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no financial or staffing implications arising out of this report.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no equal opportunities implications arising out of this report.

6.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Article 6 and Article 1 of the First Protocol are of relevance.

7.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no Local Agenda 21 implications arising out of this report.

8.0 LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

8.1 This report affects the entire Borough.

9.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are community safety implications arising out of this report due to the safety aspects of private hire vehicles.

10.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no planning implications arising out of this report.

11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 The application form applying for the grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

12.0 RECOMMENDATION

12.1 Members are asked to consider whether or not to re-license this vehicle for a further period of six months.

Alan Stennard
Director of Regeneration

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MOT REPORT

Test Centre No. 43339

Reg. No. Y634 UEN	Make/Model FORD GALAXY cc	Year of Manufacture 2001	Class of Vehicle PH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II <input type="checkbox"/> IV <input type="checkbox"/> VII <input type="checkbox"/>																	
VIN or Chassis WFOGXXPSSG1352283	Recorded Mileage 149069	Colour SILVER	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>																	
ITEMS TESTED	Cars/UGV	Pass	Fail	Result of Inspection: Items marked * advisory only																
Lighting Equipment				PLEASE PRODUCE THIS FORM IF A RE-TEST IS REQUIRED																
Front & Rear Lamps	1/1	✓		Tel: 0151 666 6625 BIRKENHEAD CLEVELAND ST./POOL ST. ALF WALSH AUTO ENGR LTD No: 43339																
Headlamps	1/2	✓																		
Headlamp Aim	1/6	✓																		
Stop Lamps	1/3	✓																		
Rear Reflectors	1/4	✓																		
Direction Indicators	1/5	✓																		
Steering & Suspension																				
Steering Control	II/1	✓																		
Steering Mechanism/system	II/2	✓																		
Power Steering	II/3	✓																		
Transmission Shafts	II/2,4,9	✓																		
Wheel Bearings	II/4	✓																		
Front Suspension	II/5-9	✓																		
Rear Suspension	II/8	✓																		
Shock Absorbers	II/10	✓																		
Wheel Alignment	N/A	N/A																		
Brakes				W.B.C. VEHICLE PASS																
Controls	III/1,3	✓																		
Condition of Service Brake System	III/3,4	✓																		
Condition of Parking Brake System	III/1,2	✓																		
Service Brake Performance	III/5,8	✓																		
Parking Brake Performance	III/5,8	✓		P/H A/C																
Tyres & Wheels																				
Tyre Type	IV/1	✓																		
Tyre Load/Speed Rating (Class VII)		N/A		W.B.C. VEHICLE PASS																
Tyre Condition	IV/1	✓																		
Road Wheels	IV/2	✓																		
Seat Belts																				
Mountings	V/1	✓		W.B.C. VEHICLE PASS																
Condition	V/1	✓																		
Operation	V/1	✓																		
Vehicle Weight							N/S	O/S	Totals	Balance	Requirement	% Efficient								
Brake Efficiency																				
General				W.B.C. VEHICLE PASS																
Windscreen Wipers & Washers	VI/1,2	✓																		
Horn	VI/4	✓																		
Exhaust System	VI/3	✓																		
Registration No./VIN No.		✓																		
Vehicle Structure	VI/5	✓		W.B.C. VEHICLE PASS																
View of Road		✓																		
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION

PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE - APPLICATION

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Members are asked to consider whether they are willing to re-license the following vehicle: a Peugeot 406, registration number X729 TUA, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The current private hire vehicle licence conditions do not allow a vehicle to be licensed beyond the date eight years from the date of first registration, unless the Council is satisfied that the vehicle is suitable, having regard to mileage, appearance, condition and safety features. This condition relating to the age of the vehicle was imposed to improve the standard of vehicle being licensed for private hire.
- 2.2 Private hire vehicle licences are issued on a twelve monthly basis, however once a vehicle reaches six years old, six monthly licences are issued until the vehicle reaches eight years old.
- 2.3 Once a vehicle reaches eight years old, if the proprietor considers it to be in exceptional condition an application can be made to re-license the vehicle for a further six months. That licence can be issued under delegated authority, subject to the vehicle being inspected by officers and being considered to be suitable as in paragraph 2.1 above. Any further application cannot be granted under delegated authority and must be referred to the Licensing Panel.

3.0 APPLICATION

- 3.1 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Piercy has applied to re-license the vehicle as he considers it to be in exceptional condition.
- 3.2 The vehicle has been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 1 June 2006 and the current licence expires on 30 November 2009.
- 3.3 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 8 January 2001.
- 3.4 On expiry of a previous licence on 30 November 2008, an application was made for a further six month licence, thereby extending it beyond the vehicle's eighth birthday and after inspection and a satisfactory compliance test at Walsh Autos, the Council's authorised testing station, the licence was granted under delegated powers.
- 3.5 On expiry of that licence on 31 May 2009, an application was considered by the Licensing Panel to grant a further six month licence. The application was granted.

3.6 The vehicle has been examined at Walsh Autos and the pass slip is attached to this report.

4.0 FINANCIAL & STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no financial or staffing implications arising out of this report.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no equal opportunities implications arising out of this report.

6.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Article 6 and Article 1 of the First Protocol are of relevance.

7.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no Local Agenda 21 implications arising out of this report.

8.0 LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

8.1 This report affects the entire Borough.

9.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are community safety implications arising out of this report due to the safety aspects of private hire vehicles.

10.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no planning implications arising out of this report.

11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 The application form applying for the grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

12.0 RECOMMENDATION

12.1 Members are asked to consider whether or not to re-license this vehicle for a further period of six months.

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MOT REPORT

Test Centre No. 43339

Reg. No. X729TUA	Make/Model Peugeot 407	Year of Manufacture 2000	Class of Vehicle PH <input type="checkbox"/> III <input type="checkbox"/> IV <input type="checkbox"/> VII <input type="checkbox"/>
VIN of Chassis VF38B2H2F812S3743	Recorded Mileage 189478	Colour BLACK	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

ITEMS TESTED	Cars/LGV	Pass	Fail	Result of Inspection: Items marked * advisory only
Lighting Equipment				
Front & Rear Lamps	1/1	-		PLEASE PRODUCE THIS FORM IF A RE-TEST IS REQUIRED
Headlamps	1/2	-		
Headlamp Aim	1/6	-		
Stop Lamps	1/3	-		
Rear Reflectors	1/4	-		
Direction Indicators	1/5	-		
Steering & Suspension				
Steering Control	II/1	-		
Steering Mechanism/system	II/2	-		
Power Steering	II/3	-		
Transmission Shafts	II/2,4,9	-		
Wheel Bearings	II/4	-		
Front Suspension	II/5-9	-		
Rear Suspension	II/9	-		
Shock Absorbers	II/10	-		
Wheel Alignment	N/A		N/A	
Brakes				
Controls	III/1,3	-		
Condition of Service Brake System	III/3,4	-		
Condition of Parking Brake System	III/1,2	-		
Service Brake Performance	III/5,8	-		
Parking Brake Performance	III/5,8	-		
Tyres & Wheels				
Tyre Type	IV/1	-		
Tyre Load/Speed Rating (Class VII)			N/A	
Tyre Condition	IV/1	-		
Road Wheels	IV/2	-		
Seat Belts				
Mountings	V/1	-		
Condition	V/1	-		
Operation	V/1	-		

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W.B.C. VEHICLE PASS

Vehicle Weight	N/S	O/S	Totals	Balance	Requirement	% Efficient
Brake Efficiency						
Front Brakes						
Rear Brakes						
Hand Brake						
				P/H	A/C	
General						
Windscreen Wipers & Washers	VI/1,2	-				
Horn	VI/4	-				
Exhaust System	VI/3	-				
Registration No./VIN No.		-				
Vehicle Structure	VI/5	-				
View of Road		-				

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PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE - APPLICATION

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Members are asked to consider whether they are willing to re-license the following vehicle: a Ford Mondeo, registration number X696 HNA, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The current private hire vehicle licence conditions do not allow a vehicle to be licensed beyond the date eight years from the date of first registration, unless the Council is satisfied that the vehicle is suitable, having regard to mileage, appearance, condition and safety features. This condition relating to the age of the vehicle was imposed to improve the standard of vehicle being licensed for private hire.
- 2.2 Private hire vehicle licences are issued on a twelve monthly basis, however once a vehicle reaches six years old, six monthly licences are issued until the vehicle reaches eight years old.
- 2.3 Once a vehicle reaches eight years old, if the proprietor considers it to be in exceptional condition an application can be made to re-license the vehicle for a further six months. That licence can be issued under delegated authority, subject to the vehicle being inspected by officers and being considered to be suitable as in paragraph 2.1 above. Any further application cannot be granted under delegated authority and must be referred to the Licensing Panel.

3.0 APPLICATION

- 3.1 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Redfern has applied to re-license the vehicle as he considers it to be in exceptional condition.
- 3.2 The vehicle has been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 9 May 2003 and the current licence expires on 23 November 2009.
- 3.3 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 11 December 2000.
- 3.4 On expiry of a previous licence on 23 November 2008, an application was made for a further six month licence, thereby extending it beyond the vehicle's eighth birthday and after inspection and a satisfactory compliance test at Walsh Autos, the Council's authorised testing station, the licence was granted under delegated powers.
- 3.5 On expiry of that licence on 23 May 2009, an application was considered by the Licensing Panel to grant a further six month licence. The application was granted.

3.6 The vehicle has been examined at Walsh Autos and the pass slip is attached to this report.

4.0 FINANCIAL & STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no financial or staffing implications arising out of this report.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no equal opportunities implications arising out of this report.

6.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Article 6 and Article 1 of the First Protocol are of relevance.

7.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no Local Agenda 21 implications arising out of this report.

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9.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

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10.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no planning implications arising out of this report.

11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 The application form applying for the grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

12.0 RECOMMENDATION

12.1 Members are asked to consider whether or not to re-license this vehicle for a further period of six months.

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MOT REPORT

Test Centre No. 43339

Reg. No. X696 HNA	Make/Model Ford Mondeo cc	Year of Manufacture 99	Class of Vehicle PH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> III <input type="checkbox"/> IV <input type="checkbox"/> VII <input type="checkbox"/>
VIN or Chassis WFO5XXGBBSV574667	Recorded Mileage 196689	Colour Maroon	<input type="checkbox"/>

ITEMS TESTED	Cars/LGV	Pass	Fail	Result of Inspection: Items marked * advisory only
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Lighting Equipment	Cars/LGV	Pass	Fail	PLEASE PRODUCE THIS FORM IF A RE-TEST IS REQUIRED
Front & Rear Lamps	1/1	/		
Headlamps	1/2	/		
Headlamp Aim	1/6	/		
Stop Lamps	1/3	/		
Rear Reflectors	1/4	/		
Direction Indicators	1/5	/		

Steering & Suspension	Cars/LGV	Pass	Fail	No: 43339 ALF WALSH AUTO ENG'R LTD CLEVELAND ST./POOL ST. BIRKENHEAD Tel: 0151 666 6625
Steering Control	II/1	/		
Steering Mechanism/system	II/2	/		
Power Steering	II/8	/		
Transmission Shafts	II/2,4,9	/		
Wheel Bearings	II/4	/		
Front Suspension	II/5-9	/		
Rear Suspension	II/9	/		
Shock Absorbers	II/10	/		
Wheel Alignment	N/A	/		

Brakes	Cars/LGV	Pass	Fail	W.B.C. VEHICLE PASS
Controls	III/1,3	/		
Condition of Service Brake System	III/3,4	/		
Condition of Parking Brake System	III/1,2	/		
Service Brake Performance	III/5,8	/		
Parking Brake Performance	III/5,8	/		

Tyres & Wheels	Cars/LGV	Pass	Fail	P/H A/C
Tyre Type	IV/1	/		
Tyre Load/Speed Rating (Class VII)		/		
Tyre Condition	IV/1	/		
Road Wheels	IV/2	/		

Seat Belts	Cars/LGV	Pass	Fail	P/H A/C
Mountings	V/1	/		
Condition	V/1	/		
Operation	V/1	/		

Vehicle Weight	N/S	O/S	Totals	Balance	Requirement	% Efficient
Brake Efficiency						
Front Brakes	273	321			50	74
Rear Brakes	270	270			16%	43%
Hand Brake	383	260				

General	Cars/LGV	Pass	Fail
Windscreen Wipers & Washers	VI/1,2	/	
Horn	VI/4	/	
Exhaust System	VI/3	/	
Registration No./VIN No.		/	
Vehicle Structure	VI/5	/	
View of Road		/	

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LICENSING PANEL – 19 NOVEMBER 2009

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION

PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider an application received from Stephen Roy Locke for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 It is a requirement that all convictions and cautions must be declared when applying for a Private Hire Driver Licence. When applying for a Private Hire Driver Licence Mr Locke declared that he had the conviction shown in paragraph 2.2 below. On return of the Disclosure from the Criminal Records Bureau no further convictions were revealed.

2.2 SP30 – Exceeding the speed limit

Offence date: 23 October 2007
Sentence: Fixed penalty fine
3 penalty points

2.3 Mr Locke has previously held a private hire driver licence from February 1994 until March 2009 when he failed to renew it.

2.4 Mr Locke had been working as private hire driver without a licence, and valid insurance, between March 2009 and August 2009 and a prosecution file has been submitted to the Legal Department.

2.5 Until Mr Locke was found to be working without a licence he was working for Argyle Park Taxis in Birkenhead.

2.6 Mr Locke had been undertaking contract work for the Children and Young People's Department transporting children to school. He did not have a Private Hire Operator Licence which is required to undertake this type of work, however he has subsequently applied for the licence.

3.0 FINANCIAL & STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no financial or staffing implications arising out of this report.

4.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no equal opportunities implications arising out of this report.

5.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Article 6 concerning the right to a fair hearing is of relevance.

6.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no Local Agenda 21 implications arising out of this report.

7.0 LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

7.1 This report affects the entire Borough.

8.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are Community Safety implications as private hire drivers should be fit and proper persons when granted a licence and throughout its duration due to their involvement with the general public.

9.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no planning implications arising out of this report.

10.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 The application form applying for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence.

11.0 RECOMMENDATION

11.1 That the Panel consider whether to grant a Private Hire Driver Licence to Mr Locke.

Alan Stennard
Director of Regeneration

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