

LICENSING PANEL

Thursday, 12 February 2009

Present: Councillor A Hodson (Chair)
Councillors J Salter A Taylor
Deputies Councillors D Knowles for W Davies

18 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Resolved – That Councillor A Hodson be appointed Chair for this meeting.

19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to consider whether they had 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 were. No such declarations were made.

20 PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE - APPLICATION OVER AGE VEHICLE - FORD MONDEO - REG X448 OSS

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received to re-license a Ford Mondeo, registration number X448 OSS, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had been re-licensed twice for a further six months under delegated powers on 1 September 2008. It had been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 1 September 2000, 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 for a Private Hire Vehicle Licence in respect of a Ford Mondeo vehicle, registration number X448 OSS be granted for a further six months due to the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

21 PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE - APPLICATION FOR OVER AGE VEHICLE - TOYOTA AVENSIS - W249 RDM

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application received to re-license a Toyota Avensis, registration number W249 RDM, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had been re-licensed twice for a further six months under delegated powers on 9 February 2008. It had been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 24 March 2000, 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 for a Private Hire Vehicle Licence in respect of a Toyota Avensis, registration number W249 RDM, be granted for a further six months due to the exceptional condition of the vehicle.

22 PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE - VAUXHALL VIVARO - APPLICATION TO LICENSE TWO FRONT SEAT PASSENGERS

The Director of Regeneration reported upon an application to license a Vauxhall Vivaro as a private hire vehicle to carry eight passengers, two passengers being carried in the front.

Resolved – That, having inspected vehicle, the panel consider that there is insufficient space to carry two passengers in the front of the vehicle safely and therefore recommend to the Licensing Health and Safety and General purposes Committee that the application be refused.

23 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.

24 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - JDB

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

Resolved - That the application from Mr JDB for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence, be approved.

25 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - CONVICTIONS INCURRED - BAM

The Director of Regeneration requested the Panel to consider whether Mr BAM was a fit and proper person to continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr BAM attended the meeting and explained the circumstances of his convictions.

Resolved – That Mr BAM be allowed to continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence but that he be issued with a warning as to his future conduct.

26 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION - TAW**

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

Resolved - That the application from Mr TAW for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence be deferred for further information.

27 **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR**

(a) PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE – APPLICATION – ARF

The panel considered an application by Mr ARF for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr ARF attended the meeting and explained the reasons for his convictions.

Resolved - That the application from Mr ARF for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence, be approved.

(b) PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE – APPLICATION TO RENEW– TEP

The panel considered an application by Mr TEP for the renewal of his Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr TEP attended the meeting and explained the reasons for his convictions.

Resolved - That the application from Mr TEP for the renewal of his Private Hire Driver Licence, be approved.