



Licensing Panel

Date:	Friday, 15 September 2023
Time:	9.45 a.m.
Venue:	Solar Campus, 235 Leasowe Road, Wallasey, Wirral

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AGENDA

1. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the Panel are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non pecuniary interests in connection with any application on the agenda and state the nature of the interest.

2. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - AUDI A5, REGISTRATION NUMBER KX63 ZKV (Pages 1 - 4)

3. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - LEXUS CT200H, REGISTRATION NUMBER DK63 OYT (Pages 5 - 8)

4. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - VAUXHALL ZAFIRA, REGISTRATION NUMBER AF13 PSY (Pages 9 - 12)

5. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT, REGISTRATION NUMBER VO13 NMV

(Pages 13 - 16)

- 6. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - RENAULT MASTER, REGISTRATION NUMBER EX59 GNK (Pages 17 - 20)**
- 7. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - CITROEN RELAY, REGISTRATION NUMBER GN61 JWV (Pages 21 - 24)**
- 8. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - FORD TOURNEO, REGISTRATION NUMBER AJ12 NVA (Pages 25 - 28)**
- 9. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - CITROEN RELAY, REGISTRATION NUMBER BX12 BVL (Pages 29 - 32)**
- 10. 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 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The Public Interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

- 11. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE APPLICATION (SLS) (Pages 33 - 36)**
- 12. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE APPLICATION (DRL) (Pages 37 - 40)**
- 13. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE APPLICATION (MME) (Pages 41 - 46)**



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15 SEPTEMBER 2023

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for the Licensing Panel to consider an application to license an Audi A5, registration number KX63 ZKV as a Private Hire Vehicle, outside of the current age policy for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

The Licensing Panel is recommended to determine whether to license an Audi A5, registration number KX63 ZKV, as a Private Hire Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority have received an application to license an Audi A5, registration number KX63 ZKV, outside of the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles. It is a delegated function of the Licensing Panel to determine whether to licence a vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle where it does not comply with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 That the application to license an Audi A5, registration number KX63 ZKV, be determined by an Officer in line with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles within the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which would result in the application being refused.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current criteria that vehicles must comply with before being granted a Private Hire Vehicle Licence as set out in the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy includes the following:
1. Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 2. Once a vehicle reaches 6 years of age it will be required to be tested every six months and a six monthly licence will be issued.
 3. Any vehicle which is more than 9 years and 6 months old will be issued with a licence that will expire on the day before it reaches 10 years old.
- 3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Howell, has applied to license the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.
- 3.3 The vehicle was first licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle on 9 June 2021 and the current licence is due to expire on 15 September 2023.
- 3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 2 September 2013.
- 3.5 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the MOT and Compliance pass certificates will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3.6 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Section 48 (1) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that a district council shall not grant a licence unless it is satisfied that the vehicle is:

- Suitable in type, size and design for use as a Private Hire Vehicle
- Not of such design and appearance as to lead any person to believe that the vehicle is a Hackney Carriage
- In a suitable mechanical condition
- Safe and Comfortable
- That there is in force in relation to the use of the vehicle a policy of insurance

5.2 Section 48 (7) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 states that any person aggrieved by the refusal of a district council to grant a vehicle licence under this section, or by any conditions specified in such a licence, may appeal to a magistrates' court.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are safety implications arising out of this report as the Licensing Panel must be satisfied that the vehicle is safe, suitable and comfortable to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle. The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and has passed the MOT and Compliance tests.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Panel must have regard to their Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the application.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Petrol and diesel vehicles contribute to harmful emissions including particulate matter, hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide which can be harmful to health.

10.2 Hybrid and electric cars emit less greenhouse gases and air pollutants than petrol and diesel cars. (Source: European Environment Agency report 2018)

11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are none arising directly from the content of this report.

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SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date



LICENSING PANEL

15 SEPTEMBER 2023

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for the Licensing Panel to consider an application to license a Lexus CT200H, registration number DK63 OYT as a Private Hire Vehicle, outside of the current age policy for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

The Licensing Panel is recommended to determine whether to license a Lexus CT200H, registration number DK63 OYT, as a Private Hire Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority have received an application to license a Lexus CT200H, registration number DK63 OYT, outside of the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles. It is a delegated function of the Licensing Panel to determine whether to licence a vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle where it does not comply with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 That the application to license a Lexus CT200H, registration number DK63 OYT, be determined by an Officer in line with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles within the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which would result in the application being refused.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current criteria that vehicles must comply with before being granted a Private Hire Vehicle Licence as set out in the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy includes the following:
1. Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 2. Once a vehicle reaches 6 years of age it will be required to be tested every six months and a six monthly licence will be issued.
 3. Any vehicle which is more than 9 years and 6 months old will be issued with a licence that will expire on the day before it reaches 10 years old.
- 3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Shahin, has applied to license the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.
- 3.3 The vehicle was first licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle on 18 August 2016 and the current licence is due to expire on 19 September 2023.
- 3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 20 September 2013.
- 3.5 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the MOT and Compliance pass certificates will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3.6 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.
- ### **4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**
- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Section 48 (1) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that a district council shall not grant a licence unless it is satisfied that the vehicle is:

- Suitable in type, size and design for use as a Private Hire Vehicle
- Not of such design and appearance as to lead any person to believe that the vehicle is a Hackney Carriage
- In a suitable mechanical condition
- Safe and Comfortable
- That there is in force in relation to the use of the vehicle a policy of insurance

5.2 Section 48 (7) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 states that any person aggrieved by the refusal of a district council to grant a vehicle licence under this section, or by any conditions specified in such a licence, may appeal to a magistrates' court.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are safety implications arising out of this report as the Licensing Panel must be satisfied that the vehicle is safe, suitable and comfortable to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle. The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and has passed the MOT and Compliance tests.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Panel must have regard to their Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the application.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Petrol and diesel vehicles contribute to harmful emissions including particulate matter, hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide which can be harmful to health.

10.2 Hybrid and electric cars emit less greenhouse gases and air pollutants than petrol and diesel cars. (Source: European Environment Agency report 2018)

11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are none arising directly from the content of this report.

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SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date



LICENSING PANEL

15 SEPTEMBER 2023

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for the Licensing Panel to consider an application to license a Vauxhall Zafira, registration number AF13 PSY as a Private Hire Vehicle, outside of the current age policy for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

The Licensing Panel is recommended to determine whether to license a Vauxhall Zafira, registration number AF13 PSY, as a Private Hire Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority have received an application to license a Vauxhall Zafira, registration number AF13 PSY, outside of the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles. It is a delegated function of the Licensing Panel to determine whether to licence a vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle where it does not comply with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 That the application to license a Vauxhall Zafira, registration number AF13 PSY, be determined by an Officer in line with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles within the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which would result in the application being refused.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current criteria that vehicles must comply with before being granted a Private Hire Vehicle Licence as set out in the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy includes the following:
1. Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 2. Once a vehicle reaches 6 years of age it will be required to be tested every six months and a six monthly licence will be issued.
 3. Any vehicle which is more than 9 years and 6 months old will be issued with a licence that will expire on the day before it reaches 10 years old.
- 3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Jordan, has applied to license the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.
- 3.3 The vehicle was first licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle on 25 November 2019 and the current licence is due to expire on 22 September 2023.
- 3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 22 March 2013.
- 3.5 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the MOT and Compliance pass certificates will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3.6 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.
- ### **4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**
- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Section 48 (1) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that a district council shall not grant a licence unless it is satisfied that the vehicle is:

- Suitable in type, size and design for use as a Private Hire Vehicle
- Not of such design and appearance as to lead any person to believe that the vehicle is a Hackney Carriage
- In a suitable mechanical condition
- Safe and Comfortable
- That there is in force in relation to the use of the vehicle a policy of insurance

5.2 Section 48 (7) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 states that any person aggrieved by the refusal of a district council to grant a vehicle licence under this section, or by any conditions specified in such a licence, may appeal to a magistrates' court.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are safety implications arising out of this report as the Licensing Panel must be satisfied that the vehicle is safe, suitable and comfortable to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle. The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and has passed the MOT and Compliance tests.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Panel must have regard to their Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the application.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Petrol and diesel vehicles contribute to harmful emissions including particulate matter, hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide which can be harmful to health.

10.2 Hybrid and electric cars emit less greenhouse gases and air pollutants than petrol and diesel cars. (Source: European Environment Agency report 2018)

11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are none arising directly from the content of this report.

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SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Regulatory Panel	5 April 2023



LICENSING PANEL

15 SEPTEMBER 2023

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for the Licensing Panel to consider an application to license a Volkswagen Passat, registration number VO13 NMV as a Private Hire Vehicle, outside of the current age policy for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

The Licensing Panel is recommended to determine whether to license a Volkswagen Passat, registration number VO13 NMV, as a Private Hire Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority have received an application to license a Volkswagen Passat, registration number VO13 NMV, outside of the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles. It is a delegated function of the Licensing Panel to determine whether to licence a vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle where it does not comply with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 That the application to license a Volkswagen Passat, registration number VO13 NMV, be determined by an Officer in line with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles within the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which would result in the application being refused.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current criteria that vehicles must comply with before being granted a Private Hire Vehicle Licence as set out in the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy includes the following:
1. Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 2. Once a vehicle reaches 6 years of age it will be required to be tested every six months and a six monthly licence will be issued.
 3. Any vehicle which is more than 9 years and 6 months old will be issued with a licence that will expire on the day before it reaches 10 years old.
- 3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Murphy, has applied to license the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.
- 3.3 The vehicle was first licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle on 10 June 2016 and the current licence is due to expire on 25 September 2023.
- 3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 25 March 2013.
- 3.5 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the MOT and Compliance pass certificates will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3.6 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Section 48 (1) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that a district council shall not grant a licence unless it is satisfied that the vehicle is:

- Suitable in type, size and design for use as a Private Hire Vehicle
- Not of such design and appearance as to lead any person to believe that the vehicle is a Hackney Carriage
- In a suitable mechanical condition
- Safe and Comfortable
- That there is in force in relation to the use of the vehicle a policy of insurance

5.2 Section 48 (7) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 states that any person aggrieved by the refusal of a district council to grant a vehicle licence under this section, or by any conditions specified in such a licence, may appeal to a magistrates' court.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are safety implications arising out of this report as the Licensing Panel must be satisfied that the vehicle is safe, suitable and comfortable to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle. The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and has passed the MOT and Compliance tests.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Panel must have regard to their Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the application.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Petrol and diesel vehicles contribute to harmful emissions including particulate matter, hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide which can be harmful to health.

10.2 Hybrid and electric cars emit less greenhouse gases and air pollutants than petrol and diesel cars. (Source: European Environment Agency report 2018)

11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are none arising directly from the content of this report.

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SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Regulatory Panel	3 March 2023



LICENSING PANEL

15 SEPTEMBER 2023

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for the Licensing Panel to consider an application to license a Renault Master, registration number EX59 GNK as a Private Hire Vehicle, outside of the current age policy for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

The Licensing Panel is recommended to determine whether to license a Renault Master, registration number EX59 GNK, as a Private Hire Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority have received an application to license a Renault Master, registration number EX59 GNK, outside of the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles. It is a delegated function of the Licensing Panel to determine whether to licence a vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle where it does not comply with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 That the application to license a Renault Master, registration number EX59 GNK, be determined by an Officer in line with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles within the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which would result in the application being refused.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current criteria that vehicles must comply with before being granted a Private Hire Vehicle Licence as set out in the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy includes the following:
1. Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 2. Once a vehicle reaches 6 years of age it will be required to be tested every six months and a six monthly licence will be issued.
 3. Any vehicle which is more than 9 years and 6 months old will be issued with a licence that will expire on the day before it reaches 10 years old.
- 3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Williams of MW Transport, has applied to license the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.
- 3.3 The vehicle was first licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle on 21 March 2019 and the current licence is due to expire on 19 September 2023.
- 3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 21 September 2009.
- 3.5 If a licence is granted, the vehicle will be used to undertake work exclusively under and in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of a contract issued by the Council to transport children to and from educational establishments.
- 3.6 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the MOT and Compliance pass certificates will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3.7 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Section 48 (1) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that a district council shall not grant a licence unless it is satisfied that the vehicle is:

- Suitable in type, size and design for use as a Private Hire Vehicle
- Not of such design and appearance as to lead any person to believe that the vehicle is a Hackney Carriage
- In a suitable mechanical condition
- Safe and Comfortable
- That there is in force in relation to the use of the vehicle a policy of insurance

5.2 Section 48 (7) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 states that any person aggrieved by the refusal of a district council to grant a vehicle licence under this section, or by any conditions specified in such a licence, may appeal to a magistrates' court.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are safety implications arising out of this report as the Licensing Panel must be satisfied that the vehicle is safe, suitable and comfortable to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle. The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and has passed the MOT and Compliance tests.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Panel must have regard to their Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the application.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Petrol and diesel vehicles contribute to harmful emissions including particulate matter, hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide which can be harmful to health.

10.2 Hybrid and electric cars emit less greenhouse gases and air pollutants than petrol and diesel cars. (Source: European Environment Agency report 2018)

11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are none arising directly from the content of this report.

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SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Regulatory Panel	11 March 2022
Regulatory Panel	7 September 2022
Regulatory Panel	3 March 2023



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15 SEPTEMBER 2023

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for the Licensing Panel to consider an application to license a Citroen Relay, registration number GN61 JVW as a Private Hire Vehicle, outside of the current age policy for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

The Licensing Panel is recommended to determine whether to license a Citroen Relay, registration number GN61 JVW, as a Private Hire Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority have received an application to license a Citroen Relay, registration number GN61 JVV, outside of the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles. It is a delegated function of the Licensing Panel to determine whether to licence a vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle where it does not comply with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 That the application to license a Citroen Relay, registration number GN61 JVV, be determined by an Officer in line with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles within the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which would result in the application being refused.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current criteria that vehicles must comply with before being granted a Private Hire Vehicle Licence as set out in the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy includes the following:
1. Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 2. Once a vehicle reaches 6 years of age it will be required to be tested every six months and a six monthly licence will be issued.
 3. Any vehicle which is more than 9 years and 6 months old will be issued with a licence that will expire on the day before it reaches 10 years old.
- 3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Williams of MW Transport, has applied to license the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.
- 3.3 The vehicle was first licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle on 23 October 2018 and the current licence is due to expire on 15 September 2023.
- 3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 9 January 2012.
- 3.5 If a licence is granted, the vehicle will be used to undertake work exclusively under and in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of a contract issued by the Council to transport children to and from educational establishments.
- 3.6 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the MOT and Compliance pass certificates will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3.7 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Section 48 (1) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that a district council shall not grant a licence unless it is satisfied that the vehicle is:

- Suitable in type, size and design for use as a Private Hire Vehicle
- Not of such design and appearance as to lead any person to believe that the vehicle is a Hackney Carriage
- In a suitable mechanical condition
- Safe and Comfortable
- That there is in force in relation to the use of the vehicle a policy of insurance

5.2 Section 48 (7) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 states that any person aggrieved by the refusal of a district council to grant a vehicle licence under this section, or by any conditions specified in such a licence, may appeal to a magistrates' court.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are safety implications arising out of this report as the Licensing Panel must be satisfied that the vehicle is safe, suitable and comfortable to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle. The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and has passed the MOT and Compliance tests.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Panel must have regard to their Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the application.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Petrol and diesel vehicles contribute to harmful emissions including particulate matter, hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide which can be harmful to health.

10.2 Hybrid and electric cars emit less greenhouse gases and air pollutants than petrol and diesel cars. (Source: European Environment Agency report 2018)

11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are none arising directly from the content of this report.

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SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Regulatory Panel	12 August 2022
Regulatory Panel	3 March 2023



LICENSING PANEL

15 SEPTEMBER 2023

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for the Licensing Panel to consider an application to license a Ford Tourneo, registration number AJ12 NVA as a Private Hire Vehicle, outside of the current age policy for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

The Licensing Panel is recommended to determine whether to license a Ford Tourneo, registration number AJ12 NVA, as a Private Hire Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority have received an application to license a Ford Tourneo, registration number AJ12 NVA, outside of the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles. It is a delegated function of the Licensing Panel to determine whether to licence a vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle where it does not comply with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 That the application to license a Ford Tourneo, registration number AJ12 NVA, be determined by an Officer in line with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles within the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which would result in the application being refused.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current criteria that vehicles must comply with before being granted a Private Hire Vehicle Licence as set out in the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy includes the following:
1. Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 2. Once a vehicle reaches 6 years of age it will be required to be tested every six months and a six monthly licence will be issued.
 3. Any vehicle which is more than 9 years and 6 months old will be issued with a licence that will expire on the day before it reaches 10 years old.
- 3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Williams of MW Transport, has applied to license the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.
- 3.3 The vehicle was first licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle on 23 December 2019 and the current licence is due to expire on 15 September 2023.
- 3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 13 June 2012.
- 3.5 If a licence is granted, the vehicle will be used to undertake work exclusively under and in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of a contract issued by the Council to transport children to and from educational establishments.
- 3.6 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the MOT and Compliance pass certificates will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3.7 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Section 48 (1) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that a district council shall not grant a licence unless it is satisfied that the vehicle is:

- Suitable in type, size and design for use as a Private Hire Vehicle
- Not of such design and appearance as to lead any person to believe that the vehicle is a Hackney Carriage
- In a suitable mechanical condition
- Safe and Comfortable
- That there is in force in relation to the use of the vehicle a policy of insurance

5.2 Section 48 (7) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 states that any person aggrieved by the refusal of a district council to grant a vehicle licence under this section, or by any conditions specified in such a licence, may appeal to a magistrates' court.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are safety implications arising out of this report as the Licensing Panel must be satisfied that the vehicle is safe, suitable and comfortable to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle. The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and has passed the MOT and Compliance tests.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Panel must have regard to their Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the application.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Petrol and diesel vehicles contribute to harmful emissions including particulate matter, hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide which can be harmful to health.

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11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are none arising directly from the content of this report.

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Council Meeting	Date
Regulatory Panel	12 August 2022
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LICENSING PANEL

15 SEPTEMBER 2023

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for the Licensing Panel to consider an application to license a Citroen Relay, registration number BX12 BVL as a Private Hire Vehicle, outside of the current age policy for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

The Licensing Panel is recommended to determine whether to license a Citroen Relay, registration number BX12 BVL, as a Private Hire Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The Licensing Authority have received an application to license a Citroen Relay, registration number BX12 BVL, outside of the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles. It is a delegated function of the Licensing Panel to determine whether to licence a vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle where it does not comply with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 That the application to license a Citroen Relay, registration number BX12 BVL, be determined by an Officer in line with the current criteria for licensing Private Hire Vehicles within the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which would result in the application being refused.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The current criteria that vehicles must comply with before being granted a Private Hire Vehicle Licence as set out in the Statement of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy includes the following:
1. Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 2. Once a vehicle reaches 6 years of age it will be required to be tested every six months and a six monthly licence will be issued.
 3. Any vehicle which is more than 9 years and 6 months old will be issued with a licence that will expire on the day before it reaches 10 years old.
- 3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Wright, has applied to license the vehicle as a Private Hire Vehicle.
- 3.3 The vehicle was first licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle on 2 January 2020 and the current licence is due to expire on 22 September 2023.
- 3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 15 March 2012.
- 3.5 If a licence is granted, the vehicle will be used to undertake work exclusively under and in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of a contract issued by the Council to transport children to and from educational establishments.
- 3.6 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the MOT and Compliance pass certificates will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3.7 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Section 48 (1) of The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that a district council shall not grant a licence unless it is satisfied that the vehicle is:

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6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are safety implications arising out of this report as the Licensing Panel must be satisfied that the vehicle is safe, suitable and comfortable to be licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle. The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and has passed the MOT and Compliance tests.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Panel must have regard to their Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the application.

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