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Licensing Panel

Date: Friday, 10 August 2018

Time: 9.45 a.m.

Venue: Committee Room 2 - Wallasey Town Hall

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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 TOYOTA PRIUS, REGISTRATION NUMBER SD58 CPN (Pages 1 4)
- 3. PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION (4 VEHICLES) (Pages 5 8)
- 4. 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. The Public Interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

- 5. PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (AR) (Pages 9 18)
- 6. PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCES (CEE) (Pages 19 22)





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REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to consider an application to re-license a Toyota Prius, registration number SD58 CPN, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the Licensing Panel considers whether or not to re-license the vehicle for a further six months.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

1.1 It is a delegated function of this Panel to determine applications for private hire vehicle licences where the vehicle is over ten years old.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

2.1 There is no provision for other options to be considered.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 On 22 May 2013 Members of the Licensing Health and Safety and General Purposes Committee resolved that:
 - The maximum age for a vehicle to be licensed as a private hire vehicle be ten years from the date of first registration or manufacture, whichever is the earlier and that this Policy is to have immediate effect.
 - The Licensing Panel be delegated with the authority to act outside this policy.
- 3.2 Private hire vehicle licences are issued on a twelve monthly basis until a vehicle reaches six years old, when six-monthly licences are issued until the vehicle reaches ten years old.
- 3.3 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Ashurst, has applied to re-license his vehicle for a further six months.
- 3.4 The vehicle has been licensed as a private hire vehicle since 21 August 2013 and the current licence is due to expire on 20 August 2018.
- 3.5 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 30 September 2008.
- 3.6 The vehicle has been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the pass certificates will be available at the meeting.
- 3.7 The vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 A decision of this Panel can be subject to appeal.

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 due to the safety aspects of private hire vehicles.

ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

8.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

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REFERENCE MATERIAL

MOT certificate

Compliance pass certificate

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

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10 AUGUST 2018

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION
REPORT OF	CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to consider an application to license the following vehicles as private hire vehicles outside the Council's Policy in respect of vehicles undertaking work exclusively under and in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of a contract issued by the Corporate Director for Strategy and Partnerships to transport children to and from educational establishments:

Iveco Daily, registration number LT52 PYD

Iveco Daily, registration number LT52 PYG

Iveco Daily, registration number LT52 PXY

Iveco Daily, registration number LT52 PXZ

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the Licensing Panel considers whether or not to license the vehicles outside the Council's Policy.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

1.1 It is a delegated function of this Panel to determine applications for private hire vehicle licences where the vehicle does not comply with the Council's criteria and conditions.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

2.1 There is no provision for other options to be considered.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 On 18 July 2018 Members of the Licensing Health and Safety and General Purposes Committee approved revised criteria and conditions in respect of vehicles undertaking work exclusively under and in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of a contract issued by the Corporate Director for Strategy and Partnerships to transport children to and from educational establishments. The criteria states that:
 - Vehicles must be under 10 years of age from the date of manufacture or date of first registration, whichever is the earliest.
 - 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.
 - 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 Prior to 18 July 2018 there was no upper age limit for vehicles undertaking school contract work.
- 3.3 Mr Michael Williams, trading as MW Transport, has a number of contracts issued by the Corporate Director for Strategy and Partnerships to transport children to and from educational establishments.
- In preparation for the new school year in September Mr Williams purchased four vehicles prior to 18 July 2018. These vehicles are all over ten years old.
- 3.5 Mr Williams has applied to license the four vehicles and is requesting Members consider granting licences outside the current Policy as the vehicles were purchased before 18 July 2018.
- 3.6 At the time of the Licensing Panel meeting the vehicles will have been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the pass certificates will be available at the meeting.
- 3.7 The vehicles will be available for inspection at the meeting.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 A decision of this Panel can be subject to appeal.

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 due to the safety aspects of private hire vehicles.

ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

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