

# LICENSING PANEL

Friday, 14 September 2018

Present:

Councillors    C Meaden  
                      D Burgess-Joyce  
                      D Mitchell

38    **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

In the absence of the Chair it was –

**Resolved** – That Councillor D Burgess-Joyce be appointed Chair for this meeting.

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

Members of the Panel were 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.

No such declarations were made.

40    **PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION - FORD MONDEO, REGISTRATION NUMBER SJ08 UJX**

The Corporate Director for Business Management reported upon an application received to re-licence a Ford Mondeo, registration number SJ08 UJX, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed private hire vehicle. The vehicle had previously been licensed from 23 December 2009 until 22 December 2015 and was licensed again from 21 April 2017. The current licence was due to expire on 8 September 2018 but had been extended to the date of this meeting. The vehicle had been examined at one of the Council's authorised testing stations and the pass certificate was available for Members.

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 SJ08 UJX be granted for a further six months.

41    **PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE - FORD TOURNEO, REGISTRATION NUMBER NE11 LOV**

The Corporate Director for Business Management reported upon an application received to exempt a Ford Tourneo, registration number NE11 LOV from displaying Private Hire Vehicle Licence plates and to exempt the driver of the vehicle from wearing his Private Hire Driver Badge.

The owner of the vehicle was present at the meeting. He advised Members that he had made the application due to the type of work he undertakes which was corporate contracts.

**Resolved** -

- (1) That the proprietor of the vehicle be issued with a notice providing an exemption from the requirement to display Private Hire Vehicle Licence plates on the vehicle and to exempt the driver of the vehicle from the requirement to wear a Private Hire Driver Badge.
- (2) That the vehicle may only be used in circumstances where confirmation of the booking is made to the customer which includes the following:
  - bookings must be made 24 hours in advance;
  - the applicant text/email his customers including a picture of the driver of the vehicle together with details of the name of the driver, badge number and registration number of the vehicle.
- (3) That the vehicle may only undertake work through an invoicing system.

42 **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 paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The Public Interest Test had been applied and favoured exclusion.

43 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (TB)**

The Corporate Director for Business Management submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr TB should continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr TB attended the meeting and made representations.

Members gave due consideration to Mr TB's representations and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of the representations made.

**Resolved** -

- (1) That Mr TB be allowed to continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence.
- (2) That Mr TB successfully complete a Driver Awareness Course by 14 October 2018.
- (3) That Mr TB be issued with a written warning as to his future conduct.

44 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (JGR)**

The Corporate Director for Business Management submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr JGR should continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr JGR attended the meeting and made representations.

Members gave due consideration to Mr JGR's representations and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of the representations made.

**Resolved** -

- (1) That Mr JGR be allowed to continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence.**
- (2) That Mr JGR successfully complete a Driver Awareness Course by 14 October 2018.**
- (3) That Mr JGR be issued with a written warning as to his future conduct.**

45 **HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCE (GMCC)**

The Corporate Director for Business Management submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr GMcC should continue to hold a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence. Mr GMcC did not attend the meeting.

**Resolved** - That Mr GMcC be instructed to attend the next meeting of the Licensing Panel and be advised that the matter may be considered in his absence should he fail to attend.

46 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (RDS)**

The Corporate Director for Business reported upon an application received by Mr RDS for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr RDS attended the meeting and made representations in respect of his application.

Members considered the representations made by Mr RDS.

Members gave due consideration to the representations made and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of representations made.

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

47 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (DAT)**

The Corporate Director for Business reported upon an application received by Mr DAT for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr DAT attended the meeting and made representations in respect of his application.

Members considered the representations made by Mr DAT.

Members gave due consideration to the representations made and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of representations made.

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

48 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (MR)**

The Corporate Director for Business reported upon an application received by Mr MR for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr MR attended the meeting and made representations in respect of his application.

Members considered the representations made by Mr MR.

Members gave due consideration to the representations made and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of representations made.

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

49 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION (MMM)**

The Corporate Director for Business reported upon an application received by Mr MMM for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr MMM attended the meeting and made representations in respect of his application.

Members considered the representations made by Mr MMM.

Members gave due consideration to the representations made and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of representations made.

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

50 **PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER LICENCES - CEE**

The Corporate Director for Business Management submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr CEE should continue to hold a Private Hire and a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence. Mr CEE attended the meeting and made representations.

Members gave due consideration to Mr CEE's representations and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of the representations made.

**Resolved - That Mr CEE be allowed to continue to hold a Private Hire and a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence.**

51 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE (BVV)**

The Corporate Director for Business Management submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr BVV should continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr BVV attended the meeting together with his wife and made representations.

Members gave due consideration to Mr BVV's representations and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of the representations made.

**Resolved - That Mr BVV be allowed to continue to hold a Private Hire Driver Licence.**

52 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER LICENCE - APPLICATION (MIB)**

The Corporate Director for Business reported upon an application received by Mr MIB for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence. Mr MIB attended the meeting and made representations in respect of his application.

Members considered the representations made by Mr MIB.

Members gave due consideration to the representations made and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits in light of representations made.

**Resolved (2:1 Councillor D Burgess-Joyce dissenting) - That Mr MIB's application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver Licence be approved for a period of 12 months.**