

**REGULATORY PANEL****16 DECEMBER 2020**

<b>REPORT TITLE</b>	<b>PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE APPLICATION</b>
<b>REPORT OF</b>	<b>DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE</b>

**REPORT SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to consider an application to re-license a Ford Focus, registration number LM10 ADV, beyond the normal over-age date for a licensed Private Hire Vehicle.

**RECOMMENDATION/S**

That the Panel considers whether or not to license the vehicle for 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 That consideration of the matter be delegated to officers.

### **3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

3.1 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.

3.2 The proprietor of the vehicle, Mr Jeonney, has applied to license the vehicle for six months.

3.3 The vehicle has been licensed as a Private Hire Vehicle since 20 February 2018 and the current licence is due to expire on 16 December 2020.

3.4 The date of first registration of this vehicle is 16 June 2010.

3.5 On expiry of a previous licences on 16 June 2020 an application to grant a six month licence was considered under delegated authority and the application was granted.

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.

### **4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

### **5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 Section 48 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 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. 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 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

## **10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS**

10.1 Private Hire Vehicles contribute to harmful emissions including particulate matter, hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide which can be harmful to health.

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## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

MOT certificate

Compliance pass certificate

## **SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)**

<b>Council Meeting</b>	<b>Date</b>
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