

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Thursday, 26 November 2015

PRESENT: Councillor T. Theophilus (Chair)

Councillors:

T. Bowen, J.M. Charles, A. Davies, P.M. Edwards, J.K. Howell, D.J.R. Llewellyn, D.E. Williams and J.S. Williams

The following Officers were in attendance:

R. Edgecombe, Legal Services Manager

J. Power, Senior Licensing Officer

P Booth, Licensing Officer

M Heath, Licensing Officer

M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer

Chamber, County Hall, Carmarthen - 10.00 - 11.00 am

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors T. Davies, I.J. Jackson, H.I. Jones, P.E.M. Jones and M.K. Thomas.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS.

Councillor	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
D.E. Williams	5 – Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Drivers Licence – Mrs. Katy Victoria Griffiths	Applicant lives in his ward.

3. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE - MR ANDREW STUART MARLING

The Committee was reminded that consideration of this item had been deferred at the meeting held on 21st October, 2015 (minute 10 refers) as Mr. Marling had not attended which, it transpired, had been due to an administrative error on the Authority's behalf. The Committee was advised that this had been addressed but Mr. Marling had informed officers that he would not be able to attend today's hearing.

RESOLVED that consideration of the application by Mr Andrew Stuart Marling for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee.

4. APPLICATION TO RENEW A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE - MRS SARAH JENNA WYNNE

The Committee considered an application from Mrs. Sarah Jenna Wynne of 30 St.

Non's Avenue, Carmarthen, to renew her Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence. The Committee interviewed Mrs. Wynne with regard to her application.

The Senior Licensing Officer recommended that Mrs. Wynne's application be granted with a warning as to her future conduct.

The Committee thereupon

RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, the application submitted by Mrs. Sarah Jenna Wynne to renew her Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be granted and that she be issued with a warning as to her future conduct.

5. HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE - MRS KATY VICTORIA GRIFFITHS

[NOTE: Councillor D.E. Williams having earlier declared an interest in this item, left the Chamber prior to the consideration and determination thereof.]

The Committee was informed that Mrs. Katy Victoria Griffiths of Cedars, Mount Pleasant, Llangunnor, Carmarthen, was a licensed hackney carriage/private hire dual driver with the authority and the Committee interviewed Mrs. Griffiths with regard to an issue which had arisen in relation to her licence.

The Senior Licensing Officer recommended that Mrs. Griffiths be issued with a warning as to her future conduct.

The Committee thereupon

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, Mrs. Katy Victoria Griffiths be issued with a warning as to her future conduct.

6. HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE - MR CERI DAVIES

The Committee was informed that Mr. Ceri Davies of 43 Waterloo Road, Penygroes, Llanelli, was a licensed hackney carriage/private hire dual driver with the authority and the Committee interviewed Mr. Davies with regard to an issue which had arisen in relation to his licence.

The Senior Licensing Officer recommended that Mr. Davies be issued with a warning as to his future conduct.

The Committee thereupon

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, Mr. Ceri Davies be issued with a warning as to his future conduct.

7. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE

DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE - MR STUART WAYNE WILLIAMS

The Committee considered an application from Mr. Stuart Wayne Williams of 19 School Road, Morfa, Llanelli, for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr. Williams with regard to his application.

The Senior Licensing Officer recommended that Mr. Williams's application be granted with a warning as to his future conduct.

The Committee thereupon

RESOLVED to retire into private session in order to receive legal advice pursuant to Paragraph 16 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Following the adjournment the Committee reconvened to advise of its decision.

RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, the application submitted by Mr. Stuart Wayne Williams for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be granted and that he be issued with a warning as to his future conduct.

8. HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE - MR DAVID WILLIAM SQUIRE

The Committee was informed that Mr. Squire was not present and had not contacted officers to advise them of his intentions.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that consideration of the issue arising in connection with Mr. David William Squire's Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be deferred to the next scheduled meeting of the Committee and that he be advised that should he fail to attend then his application may be dealt with in his absence.

9. APPLICATION TO RENEW A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE - MR BENJAMIN WILLIAM EDWARD COLLINS

The Committee considered an application from Mr. Benjamin William Edward Collins of Ffynnonau-Gleision to renew his Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence. Mr. Collins was accompanied by his father. The Committee interviewed Mr. Collins with regard to his application and received a statement from his father.

The Senior Licensing Officer recommended that Mr. Collins's application be granted with a final warning as to his future conduct.

The Committee thereupon

RESOLVED to retire into private session in order to receive legal advice pursuant to Paragraph 16 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act

1972.

Following the adjournment the Committee reconvened to advise of its decision.

RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, the application submitted by Mr. Benjamin William Edward Collins to renew his Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be granted and that he be issued with a final warning as to his future conduct.

10. LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee 'B' held on the 13th October, 2015 be signed as a correct record.

11. MINUTES

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on the 21st October, 2015 be signed as a correct record.

CHAIR

DATE