

# LICENSING COMMITTEE

23 SEPTEMBER 2021

**PRESENT:** Councillor E.G. Thomas (Chair)

**Councillors:**

J.M. Charles, S.A. Curry, W.T. Evans, J.K. Howell, H.I. Jones, A.S.J. McPherson, J.S. Phillips, J.E. Williams and D.E. Williams.

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

J. Power, Senior Licensing Officer;  
K. Byrne, Assistant Solicitor;  
E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer [Assisting];  
E. Evans, Principal Democratic Services Officer [Webcasting];  
T. Jones, Simultaneous Translator;  
J. Owen, Democratic Services Officer [Minute taker].

**Also in attendance:**

L. Bradshaw - Dyfed Powys Police Representative.

**Virtual Meeting: 10:00am - 12:15pm**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P. Edwards, A. Fox and B.D.J. Philips.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS.**

Councillor	Minute Number	Nature of Interest
D.E. Williams	Agenda Item – 7 Mr Dewi Penry Bowen – Application to renew a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Drivers Licence	The driver is known to him.

**3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE "A" HELD ON 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee "A" held on the 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 be signed as a correct record.

**4. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on the 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 be signed as a correct record.

## 5. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

**RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items as the reports contained exempt information as defined in paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

## 6. MR JASON OWEN JENKINS - APPLICATION TO RENEW A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE

[Note: Mr Jenkins was in attendance by telephone]

The Committee considered an application from Jason Owen Jenkins of 38 Bro Myrddin, Carmarthen to renew his Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Jenkins with regard to his application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

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

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that, in line with the Council's guidelines, Mr Jason Owen Jenkins application for renewal be granted with a warning as to his future conduct.

### Reason

On the evidence presented, the Committee, in line with the Policy guidance on driving convictions was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

## 7. MR DEWI PENRY BOWEN - APPLICATION TO RENEW A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE

[Note:

- Mr Jenkins was in attendance by telephone.
- Councillor D.E. Williams declared an interest and left the meeting throughout the consideration and voting of this item]

The Committee considered an application from Mr Dewi Penry Bowen of Bridgend Cottage, Llangunnor Road, Llangunnor, Carmarthen to renew his Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Bowen with regard to his application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

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

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, Mr Dewi Penry Bowen application for renewal be granted with a warning as to his future conduct.**

Reason

On the evidence presented, the Committee, in line with the Policy guidance on driving convictions was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

**8. MR ROBERT FISHER -  
HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Committee was informed that Mr Robert Fisher of 8 Heol Siloh, Llanelli, is a licensed hackney carriage/private hire dual driver with this Authority and that an issue had arisen with regard to his licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Fisher with regard to his application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

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

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

Reason

On the evidence presented, the Committee, in line with the Policy guidance on driving convictions was satisfied that the individual was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

**9. MR DAVID IAN ELIAS -  
APPLICATION TO RENEW A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL  
DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Committee considered an application from Mr David Ian Elias of 27 Talbot Road, Ammanford to renew his Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Elias with regard to his application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

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

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, Mr David Ian Elias' application for renewal be granted with a warning as to his future conduct.**

Reason

On the evidence presented, the Committee, in line with the Policy guidance on driving convictions was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

**10. MR GLYNDWR PHILLIPS - HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Committee was informed that Glyndwr Phillips of 50 St Catherine Street, Carmarthen is a licensed hackney carriage/private hire dual driver with this Authority and that an issue had arisen with regard to his licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Phillips with regard to his application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

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

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

Reason

On the evidence presented, the Committee, in line with the Policy guidance on driving convictions was satisfied that the individual was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

**11. MISS DEBORAH THERESA MATTHEWS - APPLICATION TO RENEW A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Committee considered an application from Miss Deborah Theresa Matthews of Flat 2, 26 Station Road, Burry Port to renew her Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Committee interviewed Miss Matthews with regard to her application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

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

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, Miss Deborah Theresa Matthews' application for renewal be granted with a warning as to her future conduct.**

Reason

On the evidence presented, the Committee, in line with the Policy guidance on driving convictions was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

**12. MR WILLIAM JOHN SPREADBURY -  
HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Committee was informed that Mr William John Spreadbury of 9 Station Road, St Clears is a licensed hackney carriage/private hire dual driver with this Authority and that an issue had arisen with regard to his licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Spreadbury with regard to his application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

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

The Committee thereupon

**UNANIMOUSLY 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.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that, in line with the Council's guidelines, William John Spreadbury be issued with a final warning as to his future conduct.**

Reason

On the evidence presented, the Committee, in line with the Policy guidance on driving convictions was satisfied that the individual was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

**13. MR JASON LEE DAVIES - APPLICATION TO RENEW A HACKNEY  
CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE**

[Note: Mr Davies was in attendance by telephone.]

The Committee considered an application from Mr Jason Lee Davies of Flat 1, Y Felin, Glannant Road, Carmarthen to renew his Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Davies with regard to his application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

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

The Committee thereupon

**UNANIMOUSLY 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.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that, in line with the Council's guidelines, Mr Jason Lee Davies' application for renewal be granted with a final warning as to his future conduct.

Reason

On the evidence presented, the Committee, in line with the Policy guidance on driving convictions was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

**14. MR ABDULLA ALYUFRUS -  
APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE  
DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Committee considered an application from Mr Abdulla Alyufus of 1 Parclynbach, Abercych, Boncath for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Alyufus with regard to his application and the issues raised by the Senior Licensing Officer.

The Senior Licensing Officer recommended that Mr Alyufus' application be refused.

The Committee thereupon:

**UNANIMOUSLY 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.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that, in line with the Council's guidelines, Mr Abdulla Alyufus application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be refused.

Reason

In accordance with Carmarthenshire County Council's policy, the application was refused as the Committee did not feel that the applicant was a fit and proper person to be licensed.

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**CHAIR**

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**DATE**