

LICENSING COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2023

PRESENT: Councillor J.M. Charles (Chair)

Councillors (In Person):

P. Cooper

H. Jones

B.D.J. Phillips

Councillors (Virtually):

S.A. Curry

A. Evans

W.T. Evans

J.K. Howell

D. Jones

M.J.A. Lewis

K. Madge

D.E. Williams

B.A.L. Roberts

Also Present (In Person):

E. Jones, Licensing Lead

A. Evans, Assistant Solicitor

J. Owens, Democratic Services Officer

S. Rees, Simultaneous Translator

Also Present (Virtually):

E. Evans, Principal Democratic Services Officer

M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer

Chamber - County Hall, Carmarthen. SA31 1JP and remotely - 2.11 - 4.04 pm

[Note: Due to technical difficulties the meeting commenced at 14:11hrs].

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence, however the Chair had received notification that Councillor D. Jones was expected to join the meeting late.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS

Councillor	Minute Item(s)	Nature of Interest
K. Howell	6. Mr Dylan Crompton Davies Application for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Drivers Licence	The applicant is known to Cllr J.K. Howell.

3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE "A" HELD ON 19TH JANUARY 2023

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee "A" held on the 19th January, 2023 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 10TH JANUARY 2023

RESOLVED that, subject to the correction of a typographical error in item 1, paragraph 1, the minutes of the meeting of Licensing Committee held on the 10th January, 2023 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 DYLAN CROMPTON DAVIES APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE

[Note: Councillor J.K. Howell having earlier declared an interest, re-iterated his declaration on this item and departed the meeting during deliberation of the report and voting thereof].

The Committee considered an application from Mr Dylan Crompton Davies of Glyncoed, Saron Road, Pentre-Cwrt, Llandysul to renew his hackney carriage/private hire dual driver's licence.

The Licensing Lead informed the Committee of the issues that had arisen in respect of his licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Davies with regard to the issues raised by the Licensing Lead.

The Licensing Lead recommended that Mr Davies' application be granted with a 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 the application submitted by Mr Dylan Crompton Davies for the renewal of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be granted with a warning as to his future conduct.

Reason

On the evidence presented the Committee was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

7. MR DAMIAN MARTYN MUNRO APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE

The Committee considered an application from Mr Damian Martyn Munro of 61 Penygarn Road, Tycroes, Ammanford for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Licensing Lead informed the Committee of the issues that had arisen in respect of the application.

The Committee thereupon interviewed Mr Munro with regard to the application and the issues raised by the Licensing Lead.

The Licensing Lead recommended that Mr Munro's application be granted with a 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 the application submitted by Mr Damian Martyn Munro for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be granted with a warning as to his future conduct.

Reason

On the evidence presented the Committee was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

8. MR WAYNE SCOTT DICKSON APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE

The Committee considered an application from Mr Wayne Scott Dickson of Falcon House, Heol Cwmmawr, Drefach, Llanelli for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence.

The Licensing Lead informed the Committee of the issues that had arisen in respect of the application.

The Committee thereupon interviewed Mr Dickson with regard to the application and the issues raised by the Licensing Lead.

The Licensing Lead recommended that Mr Dickson's 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.

RESOLVED that the application submitted by Mr Wayne Scott Dickson for the grant of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be granted with a warning as to his future conduct.

Reason

On the evidence presented the Committee was satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

9. MR JEFFREY THOMAS CHANDLER HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE DUAL DRIVERS LICENCE

The Committee was informed that Mr Jeffrey Thomas Chandler of Flat 3, 4 Market Street, Llandeilo was a licensed hackney carriage/private hire dual driver with the authority. The Licensing Lead informed the Committee of the issues that had arisen in respect of Mr Chandler's licence.

The Committee interviewed Mr Chandler with regard to the issues raised by the Licensing Lead.

The Licensing Lead recommended that Mr Chandler's application be suspended until completion of an appropriate Disability Awareness Training Course as agreed with the Licensing Department.

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.

RESOLVED that Mr Jeffrey Thomas Chandler's Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence be revoked.

Reason

On the facts presented, the Committee could not be satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence. Accordingly, the Committee concluded that there was reasonable cause to revoke the licence.

CHAIR _____

DATE _____