

Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 05 February 2026

PRESENT:

Councillor Moore, in the Chair.

Councillor Freeman, Vice Chair.

Councillors Morton, S. Nicholson, Raynsford and Simpson (substitute for Councillor Gilmour).

Apologies for absence: Councillors Gilmour and Luggier.

Also in attendance: John Brownlow (Enforcement Officer), Hannah Chandler-Whiting (Principal Democratic, Governance and Scrutiny Officer), Andrea Gilbert (Lawyer), Alex Ledger (Licensing Officer) and Joshua Longstaff (Business Support Officer).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 4.20 pm.

Note: At a future meeting, the committee will consider the accuracy of these draft minutes, so they may be subject to change. Please check the minutes of that meeting to confirm whether these minutes have been amended.

109. **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were made.

110. **Minutes**

The Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2026 as an accurate record.

111. **Chair's Urgent Business**

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

112. **Appeal Cases**

There were no updates on the outcomes of any appeal cases.

113. **Number of Certificates of Good Conduct Exemptions Granted**

There were no certificates of good conduct exemptions.

114. **Exempt Information**

The Committee agreed to pass a resolution under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and the public from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt

information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

115. **Confidential Minutes**

The Committee agreed the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2026 as an accurate record.

116. **Review Status of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence and Vehicle Licence**

(Please note that there is a confidential part to this item)

The Committee took the following into account:

- a) All that was said by the driver;
- b) The information contained within the report;
- c) All relevant policies referred to in the report.

The Committee agreed:

1. To suspend the Private Hire Driver's Licence until the driving standards test had been completed. Failure to do so would result in the driver being brought back before the Committee;
2. To take no action against the Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

117. **Review Status of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence**

(Please note that there is a confidential part to this item)

The Committee took the following into account:

- a) All that was said by the driver;
- b) The information contained within the report;
- c) All relevant policies referred to in the report.

The Committee agreed to:

1. Revoke the Private Hire Driver's Licence.

118. **Review Status of a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence and Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence**

(Please note that there is a confidential part to this minute)

The Committee took the following into account:

- a) The information contained within the report;
- b) All relevant policies referred to in the report.

The Committee agreed:

- 1. To revoke the Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence;
- 2. To revoke the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence.

119. **Review Status of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence and Vehicle Licence**

(Please note that there is a confidential part to this minute)

The Committee took the following into account:

- a) All that was said by the driver;
- b) The information contained within the report;
- c) All relevant policies referred to in the report.

The Committee agreed to:

- 1. Revoke the Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence;
- 2. Take no action would be taken against the Private Hire Vehicle Licence.

120. **Review Status of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence and Private Hire Vehicle Licence**

(Please note that there is a confidential minute to this item)

The Committee took the following into account:

- a) All that was said by the driver;
- b) The information contained within the report;
- c) All relevant policies referred to in the report.

The Committee agreed:

- 1. To require the driver to retake the ambassador course;
- 2. To take no action against the Private Hire Driver Vehicle Licence.