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TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE

Thursday 05 March 2026
10.00 am
Council House, Plymouth

Members:

Councillor Moore, Chair
Councillor Freeman, Vice Chair
Councillors Gilmour, Luggier, Morton, S.Nicholson and Raynsford.

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business overleaf.

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Tracey Lee
Chief Executive

Taxi Licensing Committee

AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive apologies for non-attendance submitted by Committee Members.

2. Declarations of Interest

Members will be asked to make any declarations of interest in respect of items on this agenda.

3. Minutes

(Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm the minutes of the meetings held on 05 February 2026 and 19 February 2026 as accurate records.

4. Chair's Urgent Business

To receive reports on business which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be brought forward for urgent consideration.

5. Appeal Cases

The Committee will be provided with the results of the judgement on appeal cases that went to Court.

6. Number of Certificates of Good Conduct Exemptions Granted

The Committee will be provided with the Number of Certificates of Good Conduct Exemptions Granted.

7. Exempt Information

To consider passing 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.

Part II (Private Meeting)

Agenda

Members of the Public to Note:

That under the law, the Committee is entitled to consider certain items in private. Member of the public will be asked to leave the meeting when such items are discussed.

8. Confidential Minutes (Pages 7 - 30)

To confirm the confidential minutes of the meetings held on 05 February 2026 and 19 February 2026 as accurate records.

9. Review Status of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence: (Pages 31 - 54)

10. Review Status of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence and Private Hire Vehicle Licence: (Pages 55 - 76)

11. Review Status of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence and Private Hire Vehicle Licence: (Pages 77 - 94)

12. Application for the Grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence: (Pages 95 - 104)

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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.

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Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 19 February 2026

PRESENT:

Councillor Moore, in the Chair.
Councillor Freeman, Vice Chair.
Councillors Gilmour, Luggier, Morton, S.Nicholson and Raynsford.

Also in attendance: Hannah Chandler-Whiting (Principal Democratic, Governance and Scrutiny Officer) Andrea Gilbert (Lawyer), Alex Ledger (Licensing Officer) and Mark Wheeler (Senior Licensing Officer).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 1.45pm.

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121. **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were made.

122. **Chair's Urgent Business**

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

123. **Appeal Cases**

Andrea Gilbert (Lawyer) provided an update on the outcome of one appeal.

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

There were no certificates of Good Conduct Exemptions granted.

125. **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 involved the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

126. **Review Status of Hackney Carriage Vehicle Drivers Licence and Hackney Carriage 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 to:

- 1. Revoke the Hackney Carriage Driver's licence;
- 2. Take no action regarding the Hackney Carriage Vehicle licence.

127. **Review Status of Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence and Private Hire 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 vehicle drivers' licence for a period of seven days.

128. **Application for the Grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence**

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 grant the application for a licence, subject to the driver resitting the ambassador course within six months.

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

The Committee agreed to defer the case to allow the driver to attend.

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