



Oversight and Governance

Chief Executive's Department
Plymouth City Council
Ballard House
Plymouth PL1 3BJ

Please ask for Democratic Advisor
T 01752 668000
E democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk
www.plymouth.gov.uk/democracy
Published 18/08/21

Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 2 September 2021
10.00 am
Council House

Members:

Councillor Singh, Chair

Councillor Salmon, Vice Chair

Councillors Mrs Aspinall, Corvid, Derrick, Jordan, Partridge and Tuffin.

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

For further information on webcasting, attending Council meetings and how to engage in the democratic process please follow this link <http://www.plymouth.gov.uk/accesstomeetings>

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 - 4)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 8 July 2021.

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. 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.

7. Confidential Minutes

(Pages 5 - 10)

To confirm the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 8 July 2021.

8. Review Status of Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence (Pages 11 - 20)

The Director for Public Health will submit a report on the review status of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence.

This page is intentionally left blank

Taxi Licensing Committee

Thursday 8 July 2021

PRESENT:

Councillor Salmon, Vice Chair in the Chair.

Councillor Partridge, Vice Chair.

Councillors Mrs Aspinall, Corvid, Derrick, Jordan and Tuffin.

Apology for absence: Councillor Singh

Also in attendance: Steve Forshaw (Senior Enforcement Officer), Sharon Day (Lawyer) and Helen Prendergast (Democratic Adviser).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 12.35 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.

10. Election of Vice Chair

The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Partridge as the Vice Chair for this particular meeting.

11. Declarations of Interest

In accordance with the code of conduct, Councillor Partridge declared a personal interest in minutes 17 and 18.

12. Minutes

The Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2021.

13. Chair's Urgent Business

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

14. Appeal Cases

The committee noted that there had been no new appeal cases since the last meeting.

15. Exempt Information

Agreed that 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.

16. **Confidential Minutes**

The committee agreed that the confidential minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2021 are confirmed as a correct record.

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

The committee –

- (a) considered the report from the Director for Public Health;
- (b) heard from the taxi driver and his representative;
- (c) took the following into consideration -
 - the information contained in the report;
 - the policy as detailed in the report;
 - all that was said by the applicant and his representative.

The committee agreed that it is satisfied that the applicant is a fit and proper person and would therefore grant the application for a private hire driver's licence. This is subject to the applicant completing the Plymouth Ambassador course and VRQ in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and Private Hire or equivalent qualification within 12 months of being granted a licence.

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

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

The committee -

- (a) considered the report from the Director for Public Health;
- (b) heard from the applicant and his representative;
- (c) took the following into consideration -
 - the information contained in the report;
 - the policy as detailed in the report;
 - all that was said by the applicant and his representative;
 - the applicant's references.

The committee agreed that it is satisfied that the applicant is a fit and proper person and would therefore grant the application for a Private Hire Vehicle driver's licence. This was subject to the applicant completing the Plymouth Ambassador course and VRQ in Transporting Passengers by Taxi and Private Hire or equivalent qualification within 12 months of being granted a licence.

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

19. **Application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence**

The Committee –

- (a) considered the report from the Director for Public Health;
- (b) took the following into consideration -
 - the information contained in the report;
 - the policy as detailed in the report;
 - all that was said by the applicant.

The committee agreed that it was satisfied that the applicant is a fit and proper person and would therefore grant the application for a Hackney Carriage driver's licence.

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

This page is intentionally left blank

The following relates to exempt or confidential matters (Para(s) 1 of Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Govt Act 1972). Any breach of confidentiality could prejudice the Council/person/body concerned & might amount to a breach of the councillors /employees codes of conduct.

Document is Restricted

This page is intentionally left blank

The following relates to exempt or confidential matters (Para(s) 1 of Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Govt Act 1972). Any breach of confidentiality could prejudice the Council/person/body concerned & might amount to a breach of the councillors /employees codes of conduct.

Document is Restricted

This page is intentionally left blank