



TAXI AND GENERAL SUB COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PENALLTA HOUSE, TREDOMEN, YSTRAD
MYNACH ON THURSDAY, 12TH JULY, 2018 AT 10.00 AM**

PRESENT

Councillor D.W.R. Preece - Chair

Councillors:

M. Davies, Mrs D. Price

Together with:

L. Morgan (Licensing Manager), J. Lloyd (Senior Licensing Officer), S. Lewis-Williams (Licensing Officer) , J. Williams (Senior Solicitor), R. Barrett (Committee Services Officer), K. Houghton (Committee Services Officer)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the beginning or during the course of the meeting.

3 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE

The Taxi and General Sub Committee, by a majority decision (and in noting there was 1 against) RESOLVED that for the reasons outlined at the meeting and to the driver when present, and following inspection of the vehicle, application no. 1 of Caerphilly for a hackney carriage vehicle licence, be refused.

The Sub Committee refused the application on the grounds that the vehicle's window tinting level did not comply with the Council's policy and that the applicant did not provide sufficient justification for the Sub Committee to depart from the policy, which is in place to protect the public. The applicant was informed of his right of appeal in that he had 21 days following receipt of the written decision notice to appeal to the local Magistrates Court.

4 APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Taxi and General Sub Committee unanimously RESOLVED that for the reasons outlined at the meeting and to the applicant when present, application no. 2 of Cwmfelinfach for a hackney carriage/private hire vehicle driver's licence, be granted for a period of 3 years,

subject to a satisfactory medical certificate and letter of warning as to his future conduct for a period of 12 months being sent.

The Sub Committee felt that the applicant was a fit and proper person, despite his previous conviction, and were of the view that the individual was now rehabilitated as the offence occurred more than 3 years ago.

5 HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Taxi and General Sub Committee unanimously RESOLVED that for the reasons outlined at the meeting and to the driver's representative present, the hackney carriage/private hire vehicle driver's licence held by applicant no. 3 of Blackwood be revoked.

The Sub Committee were of the view that the individual was no longer a fit and proper person to hold such a licence, having regard to the convictions recorded against them during the period of licence. The Sub Committee felt that there were no grounds presented, in light of the recent convictions, which convinced them that the individual was a fit and proper person, and therefore his licence was revoked. The representative was informed of the right of appeal within 21 days following receipt of the written decision notice to appeal to the local Magistrates Court.

The meeting closed at 12.32 pm