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Date: 15th November 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

A meeting of the **Taxi and General Sub Committee** will be held in the **Council Chamber - Penallta House, Tredomen, Ystrad Mynach** on **Friday, 23rd November, 2018** at **2.00 pm** to consider the matters contained in the following agenda. You are welcome to use Welsh at the meeting, a minimum notice period of 3 working days is required should you wish to do so. A simultaneous translation will be provided if requested.

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Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chrissy Harrhy'.

Christina Harrhy
INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE

AGENDA

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| 1 | To receive apologies for absence. | |
| 2 | Declarations of Interest. | |

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- 3 To receive and consider the following reports which in the opinion of the Proper Officer may be discussed when the meeting is not open to the public and first to consider whether the public interest requires that the meeting should be closed to the public for consideration of this item. 1 - 4
- 4 Application For Grant Of Private Hire Vehicle Licence And Exemption From The Display Of Vehicle Licence Plate. 5 - 24
- 5 Licensing of Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Vehicle Drivers. 25 - 76

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Councillors D.W.R. Preece (Chair), M. Davies and J. Simmonds

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Agenda Item 3



TAXI AND GENERAL SUB COMMITTEE – 23RD NOVEMBER 2018

PUBLIC INTEREST TEST – EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

**SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE AND
EXEMPTION FROM THE DISPLAY OF VEHICLE LICENCE PLATE**

REPORT BY: INTERIM DEPUTY MONITORING OFFICER

I have considered grounds for exemption of information contained in the report referred to above and make the following recommendations to the Proper Officer:-

EXEMPTIONS APPLYING TO THE REPORT:

The report contains information relating to particular individuals (para 12), information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual (para 13) and information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person(s) (including the authority holding that information) (para 14)

FACTORS IN FAVOUR OF DISCLOSURE:

There is a public interest for the process to be open and transparent when council's consider taxi licences.

PREJUDICE WHICH WOULD RESULT IF THE INFORMATION WERE DISCLOSED:

The report includes personal information relating to the applicant, information which will reveal the identity of a third party and information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person(s).

MY VIEW ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST IS AS FOLLOWS:

That paragraphs 12, 13 and 14 should apply. My view on the public interest test is that whilst there is a need to ensure transparency and accountability of a public authority for decisions taken in relation to taxi drivers, this must be balanced against the fact that the report contains personal information about the applicant, information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual and information relating to the financial or business affairs of the applicant and/or a third party.

Having regard to the above factors I do not consider there is an overwhelming public interest in requiring the disclosure of the personal data of the applicant; the individual is entitled to privacy and disclosing financial or business affairs of individuals could prejudice the application under consideration by the Sub Committee.

On that basis I feel that the public interest in maintaining the exemption does outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.

RECOMMENDED DECISION ON EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE:

On that basis I feel that the public interest in maintaining the exemption does outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information and that the report should be exempt.

Signed:

Date: 15th November 2018

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Interim Deputy Monitoring Officer

I accept/~~do not accept~~ the recommendation made above.

Signed:

Proper Officer

Date:

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TAXI AND GENERAL SUB COMMITTEE – 23RD NOVEMBER 2018

PUBLIC INTEREST TEST – EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

**SUBJECT: LICENSING OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE
DRIVERS**

REPORT BY: INTERIM DEPUTY MONITORING OFFICER

I have considered grounds for exemption of information contained in the report referred to above and make the following recommendations to the Proper Officer:-

EXEMPTIONS APPLYING TO THE REPORT:

The report contains information relating to particular individuals (para 12)

FACTORS IN FAVOUR OF DISCLOSURE:

There is a public interest for the process to be open and transparent when council's consider taxi licences.

PREJUDICE WHICH WOULD RESULT IF THE INFORMATION WERE DISCLOSED:

The report includes sensitive personal information relating to the licence holder.

MY VIEW ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST IS AS FOLLOWS:

That paragraph 12 should apply. My view on the public interest test is that whilst there is a need to ensure transparency and accountability of a public authority for decisions taken in relation to taxi drivers, this must be balanced against the fact that the report contains sensitive personal information about the licence holder which must remain exempt from publication.

On that basis I feel that the public interest in maintaining the exemption does outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.

RECOMMENDED DECISION ON EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE:

On that basis I feel that the public interest in maintaining the exemption does outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information and that the report should be exempt.

Signed:

Date: 15th November 2018

Post: Interim Deputy Monitoring Officer

I accept/~~do not accept~~ the recommendation made above.

Signed:

Proper Officer

Date:

15/11/18

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Agenda Item 4

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Agenda Item 5

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