

**NOTES OF GENERAL LICENSING REGULATORY BOARD PANEL**

**28th January, 2014**

1. **Present:** Councillors C Wraith (Chairman), J Carr and M Dyson.

Members of the Public and Press were excluded from the meeting

2. **Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest from Members in respect of items on the agenda.

3. **Driver Licences**

The Panel considered reports requesting Members to consider the following:

- (a) an application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence on behalf of Mr M C

The applicant was in attendance and addressed the Panel in support of his case.

After considering all the evidence presented, together with the representations made, the application was granted in view of the manner in which he presented himself and the mitigating an exceptional circumstances presented. The Panel felt that there was sufficient justification to warrant a deviation from the Council's Guideline policy for Criminal Convictions and the applicant was, therefore, considered to be a fit and proper person to hold such a licence

The decision of the Panel was unanimous

- (b) the determination of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence held by Mr N H.

The driver was in attendance and addressed the Panel in support of his case.

The hearing was adjourned to enable additional information to be obtained.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.

**25th March, 2014**

4. **Present:** Councillors C Wraith (Chairman), Johnson and Millner together with Councillor Bruff (Reserve Member).

Members of the Public and Press were excluded from the meeting

**5. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest from Members in respect of items on the agenda.

**6. Driver Licences**

The Panel considered reports requesting Members to consider the following:

(a) the determination of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence held by Mr G B.

The driver was in attendance together with Mr D W (Licensing Consultant) who addressed the Panel in support of his case.

After considering all the information presented, together with the representation made, the driver was allowed to retain his Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence subject to:

- him passing the DSA test within three months (at his own expense)
- the issuing of a final written warning as to his future conduct

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.

(b) an application for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence on behalf of Mr I S

The applicant was in attendance together with Mr D M (a prospective employer) who addressed the Panel in support of his case.

After considering all the evidence presented, together with the representations made, the application was granted in view of the manner in which he presented himself and the mitigating an exceptional circumstances presented. The Panel felt that there was sufficient justification to warrant a deviation from the Council's Guideline policy for Criminal Convictions and the applicant was, therefore, considered to be a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.

(c) an application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence on behalf of Mr L A S.

The applicant was in attendance together with Mrs S who addressed the Panel in support of his case.

After considering all the evidence presented, together with the representations made, the application was refused on the following grounds:

- the number and severity of the convictions recorded against the applicant
- the failure to demonstrate exceptional circumstances to warrant a deviation from the Council's Guideline Policy for Criminal Convictions

The Panel felt that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous.

(d) an application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence on behalf of Mr J B.

The applicant was in attendance and addressed the Panel in support of his case.

After considering all the evidence presented, together with the representations made, the application was granted in view of the manner in which he presented himself and the mitigating an exceptional circumstances presented. The Panel felt that there was sufficient justification to warrant a deviation from the Council's Guideline Policy for Criminal Convictions and the applicant was, therefore, considered to be a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.

The decision of the Panel was unanimous

(e) an application for the grant of a Private Hire Driver's Licence on behalf of Mr S H A.

The applicant was in attendance and addressed the panel in support of his case.

After considering all the evidence presented, together with the representations made, the application was granted in view of the manner in which he presented himself and the mitigating an exceptional circumstances presented. The Panel felt that there was sufficient justification to warrant a deviation from the Council's Guideline Policy for Criminal Convictions and the applicant was, therefore, considered to be a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.

The decision of the Panel was not unanimous

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