Decision Schedule



Taxi Licensing Panel

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Taxi Licensing Panel took the following decisions on 1 August 2017 and they were effective immediately.

Councillors D Davies (in the Chair), T Holyoake, M Cornelious, J Watkins and J Cleverly

Part 2

Exempt or Confidential Items

The following items contain confidential or exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. Reports and background papers relating to these decisions are therefore not for publication and are subject to the provisions of the Act as they relate to circulation to the press and public.

LIC PAN 07/17

Private Hire / Hackney Carriage Licences

Decision

The Taxi Panel gave careful consideration to the respective applications and the following decisions were made:

Applicant KA

1. The committee had decided that subject to a provision of a positive reference being provided by a nurse ward manager or senior nurse from the respective hospital where KA was in employment, that the applicant's application would be further considered.

Accordingly the matter may be decided, as agreed by the Panel through the Chair who would grant or decline the application. The key consideration of the panel must be public safety and it had to be satisfied that the applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence granted by Newport City Council.

Driver CL

2. The Panel had considered everything put before it by the parties. It was decided that what had been offered by way of explanation by or on behalf of CL was not entirely plausible due to contradictions in the statements. It was accepted that whereas some of the matters raised related to past conduct, CL's conduct as a licenced driver for Newport City Council continued to give the committee cause for concern. The primary duty of the Panel was to ensure the safety of the travelling public and with that in mind it was decided that CLs Private Hire Driver's Licence would be suspended until such time that CL took and passed the PASS PLUS Driving Test.

Driver MK

3. The Panel considered all the matters put before them as laid out within the report and by MK and his representative and it decided to issue a formal warning. MK was also reminded that he must be mindful that if a situation arose where his fitness, conduct and propriety were compromised MK must report the matter to the licensing authority without delay.

Applicant TC

4. The Panel considered the report and all that was put forward by TC and decided to grant the Private Hire Driver's Licence to TC. There was, however, a strong indication from the Panel that it did not want to see the applicant before it again.

Consultation

Not applicable.

Implemented By: Head of Law & Regulation

Implementation Timetable: Immediate