

# Decision Schedule

## Taxi Licensing Panel

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Taxi Licensing Panel took the following decisions on 6 June 2021, which became effective immediately.

Councillors: K Thomas, I Hayat, T Suller

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### **Part 2**

#### **Exempt or Confidential Items**

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#### **LIC PAN 04/21**

#### **Private Hire / Hackney Carriage Licenses**

#### **Decision**

1. **Driver DB**

The panel considered the evidence presented, and concluded that the driver would have his licence suspended until such time that he passes the knowledge test (happening in one month). The panel also would like to give the driver a warning, stating that if any further incidents occur, it will be brought before the panel again. The panel also agreed that the driver having his licence reinstated would be conditional on him getting CCTV in his car, within the next 28 days. The reason for this is repeated failure to disclose issues arising, and the applicants' failure to understand the implications for public safety. The panel demand a high standard of behaviour, and the complete honesty and integrity, of the taxi drivers who are licensed in Newport.

2. **Driver AM**

The panel considered the evidence presented, and emphasised that they were displeased with the nature of the applicants' driving, and that they were unhappy with the alleged incidents of overcharging the wheelchair user and not offering a disabled person the appropriate level of assistance. As a result, the panel would like to issue a warning to the driver, as well as request that

he take a pass-plus course within the next 4-6 months. In addition, the panel decided that this would be conditional on the applicant having CCTV in his vehicle within the next 28 days.

### 3. Driver YI

The panel considered the evidence presented, and believed the caution the applicant received did not impact upon the driver being considered a fit and proper person to hold a licence. The panel therefore agreed to grant the drivers' licence, on the condition that he would have CCTV installed in his car within the next 28 days.

#### **Consultation**

Not applicable.

**Implemented by:** Head of Law & Regulation

**Implementation Timetable:** Immediate

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