

REPORT FROM: PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & REGULATORY SERVICE
MANAGER

TO: TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE

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RESULTS OF APPEALS/PROSECUTIONS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To report, for information, the decisions of appeals/prosecutions since the last meeting.

PROSECUTIONS

1. Sultan Latif

Sultan Latif was charged with driving a private hire vehicle without holding a private hire drivers licence and for driving a private hire vehicle without insurance on 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 11th and 12th August 2021.

He pleaded guilty to the offences and was given 6 points on his driving licence and fined £120. He was ordered to pay a contribution to our costs of £75.00 and a victim surcharge of £34.

2. Union Cabs Limited – Ayaz Ali

Union Cabs Ltd – Ayaz Ali, was charged with:___

- Ayaz Ali, being the proprietor of a vehicle and employing a driver who did not hold a private hire drivers licence;
- Union Cabs Ltd, as an operator, operated a vehicle as a private hire vehicle without the driver holding a private hire driver's licence
- Union Cabs Ltd, failed to keep a record of bookings as the Council require by condition attached to his private hire operator's licence.

He pleaded guilty to all of the offences and Union Cabs Ltd and Ayaz Ali were each fined £300 and both were ordered to pay £75 contribution to our costs and a victim surcharge of £34.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: Consideration will be given as to whether they are fit and proper to hold or continue to hold a licence.

Financial: There is a cost to the Council for legal representation.

Legal: None arising directly from the report.

Risk Management: None arising directly from the report.

Health and Safety: None arising directly from the report.

Sustainability: None arising directly from the report.

Community Safety: For public safety all drivers of licensed vehicles must hold the relevant licence.

Equality and Diversity: None arising directly from the report.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS – Statements of witnesses