

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE
HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL
ON 2ND SEPTEMBER, 2021**

PRESENT –

*His Worship the Mayor Councillor Neil Butterworth
Councillor K. McGladdery – Chairman (In the Chair)*

Councillors

*N. Ahmed
N. Ashraf
D. Cockburn-Price
B. Newman
M. Sakib (Substitute for M. Iqbal)*

Also in attendance

Councillor M. Aslam

Officers present

<i>Jackie Allen</i>	<i>Taxi Licensing Manager</i>
<i>Howard Culshaw</i>	<i>Head of Legal Services</i>
<i>Lynne Rowland</i>	<i>Committee Administrator</i>



9. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were reminded of the requirements of the Member Code of Conduct concerning the Declaration of Interests.

10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

11. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 13th July, 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

12. RESULTS OF APPEALS/PROSECUTIONS

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report which informed the Committee of the results of appeals/prosecutions since the last meeting.

13. RESULTS OF SPOT CHECK

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager reported that a spot check on licensed vehicles had been carried out during the evening of Friday 13th August, 2021 at Norfolk Street Garage, with the assistance of the Police. Eighteen vehicles had been tested of which 11 had failed due to mechanical and other faults.

14. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED

That in pursuance of the power contained in Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the next items of business on the grounds that if a member of the public and press were present during consideration of the items, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person/persons.

15. RESULTS OF SPOT CHECK

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report which provided details of the results of the vehicle spot check carried out on Friday 13th August, 2021 as referred to at Minute 13.

16. INTERVIEWS

(1) Report on KHS

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report in respect of KHS. KHS attended for interview with one representative.

RESOLVED

That KHS be granted a hackney carriage and private hire driver's licence for a temporary six month period and, should no further issues arise, the licence be renewed for a further six months.

(2) Report on MF

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report in respect of MF. MF attended for interview.

RESOLVED

That MF be granted a hackney carriage and private hire driver's licence.

(3) Report on WA

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report in respect of WA. WA attended for interview with one representative.

RESOLVED

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That WA be granted a hackney carriage and private hire driver's licence for a temporary six month period and, should no further issues arise, the licence be renewed for a further six months.

(4) Report on MAC (PTL)

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report in respect of MAC (PTL). MAC (PTL) attended for interview with one representative.

RESOLVED

- (1) That MAC (PTL) be given a formal warning as to future conduct and be asked to provide proof, within eight weeks, that the data management system has been implemented.
- (2) That the Taxi Licensing Manager be asked to arrange for a spot check to be carried out in three months' time to establish that the data management system is operating.

(5) Report on MAC (PTL) and MR

The Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager submitted a report in respect of MAC (PTL) and MR. MAC (PTL) attended for interview and requested that consideration of this application be deferred.

RESOLVED

That consideration of this application be deferred.

CHAIRMAN _____