PUBLIC PROTECTION LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Hybrid meeting held on 11th November, 2025.

The Committee agenda is available <u>here</u>.

The recording of the meeting is available here.

<u>Present</u>: Councillor P. Drake (Chair); Councillors G. Bruce, B. Dodd, V.P. Driscoll, R. Fisher, C.P. Franks, E. Goodjohn, W.A. Hennessy, M.J.G. Morgan and S.T. Wiliam.

421 ANNOUNCEMENT -

Prior to the commencement of the business of the Committee, the Chair read the following statement: "May I remind everyone present that the meeting will be live streamed as well as recorded via the internet and this recording archived for future viewing".

422 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE -

These were received from Councillors J.M. Norman (Vice-Chair), L. Burnett, N.B. Marshallsea, R. Sivagnanam and M.R. Wilkinson

423 MINUTES -

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 9th October, 2025 be approved as a correct record.

424 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -

No declarations of interest were received.

425 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC -

RESOLVED – T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

426 DISCIPLINARY FOR CURRENT HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER (DEH) (EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPHS 12, 13 AND 14) –

The report was presented by the Licensing Team Manager, who advised that its purpose was to determine whether an existing driver remained a fit and proper person to hold Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licenses, following a complaint being received from members of the public.

The driver in question and two witnesses were in attendance at the meeting and made their representations to the Committee. Committee Members asked both parties a number of questions relating to the circumstances surrounding the complaint.

In private deliberation, the Committee discussed whether, on the balance of probabilities, the driver in question remained a fit and proper person to retain their license, and having put the matter to a vote, subsequently:

RESOLVED – T H A T, having regard to the report, the Guidelines adopted by the Public Protection Licensing Committee, and to the representations made at the meeting, the driver in question was not a fit and proper person to hold a Vale of Glamorgan Council Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's licence, and that a full statement of reasons for this decision be provided to the driver.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the report and to discussions at the meeting.