

**LICENSING DRIVER PANEL**  
**09/04/2024 at 9.30 am**

**Present:** Councillors Cosgrove, Hamblett, H. Harrison, J. Hussain  
and S. Hussain (Chair)

Also in attendance:  
Nicola Lord - Principal Licensing Officer  
Susan Loftus - Licensing Projects and Hearings Officer  
Alan Evans – Group Solicitor  
Durga Paul - Constitutional Services

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Byrne.

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

4 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

The were no Public Questions for this meeting to consider.

5 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meetings held on 27th February 2024 and 5th March 2024 be approved as a correct record.

6 **ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

**RESOLVED** that the order of proceedings be noted.

7 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED** that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they contain exempt information under paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and it would not, on balance, be in the public interest to disclose the reports.

8 **DP/2024/41**

The Panel considered a report to inform them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to a conviction recorded against the Applicant calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the application was referred to the Panel for determination.

**RESOLVED** This application be adjourned to a future Licensing Driver Panel Meeting pending receipt of further information about the conviction.

NOTE: The Applicant attended the meeting with a translator who addressed the Panel on his behalf.

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**DP/2024/24**

The Panel considered a report to inform them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to a conviction recorded against the Applicant calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the application was referred to the Panel for determination.

**RESOLVED** that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the Applicant has appeared before the Panel, namely: convictions, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Applicant is not a fit and proper person and accordingly the application be REFUSED as insufficient time has passed since the convictions.

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**DP/2024/42**

The Panel considered a report to inform them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to a conviction recorded against the Applicant calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the application was referred to the Panel for determination.

**RESOLVED** that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the Applicant has appeared before the Panel, namely: convictions, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Applicant is not a fit and proper person and accordingly the application be REFUSED on the grounds that the Applicant has more than one conviction which demonstrates incidences of intimidating or violent behaviour.

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**DP/2024/43**

The Panel considered a report to inform them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to a conviction recorded against the Applicant calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the application was referred to the Panel for determination.

**RESOLVED** that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the Applicant has appeared before the Panel, namely: a conviction, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the Applicant's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Applicant is not a fit and proper person and accordingly the application be REFUSED on the grounds that the Applicant has within the last 5 years received a conviction

for a serious motoring offence and received a caution for a further offence.

NOTE: The Applicant attended the meeting and addressed the Panel.

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**DP/2024/44**

The Panel considered a report to inform them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to a conviction recorded against the Applicant calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the application was referred to the Panel for determination.

**RESOLVED** that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the Applicant has appeared before the Panel, namely: convictions, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the Applicant's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Applicant is not a fit and proper person and accordingly the application be REFUSED on the grounds that the Applicant has received 2 periods on disqualification for serious motoring offences within the last 3 years.

NOTE: The Applicant attended the meeting and addressed the Panel.

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**DP/2024/34**

The Panel considered a report to inform them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to a conviction recorded against the Applicant calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the application was referred to the Panel for determination.

**RESOLVED** that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the Applicant has appeared before the Panel, namely: a conviction and other information received from Greater Manchester Police, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the Applicant's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Applicant is not a fit and proper person and accordingly the application be REFUSED on the grounds that the Applicant has a conviction for a violent offence and subsequent dealings with the Police demonstrating instances of further violent and intimidating behaviour.

NOTE: The Applicant attended the meeting and addressed the Panel.

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**DP/2024/35**

The Panel considered an application to review a licence, due to the conduct of the Driver which calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the application was referred to the Panel for determination.

**RESOLVED** that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the Driver has appeared before the Panel, namely his: conduct, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the Driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Driver is not a fit and proper person and accordingly the Licence be REVOKED with immediate effect on the grounds of public safety as the Driver represents a risk to passengers.

NOTE: The Driver and a translator attended the meeting and addressed the Panel.

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**LICENSING DRIVERS PANEL APPEALS UPDATE**

**RESOLVED**

The Licensing Driver Panel Appeals Update was noted by the Panel.

The meeting started at 9.35am and ended at 1.42pm.