

LICENSING DRIVER PANEL
08/07/2025 at 9.30 am



Present: Councillor S. Hussain (Chair)
Councillors Byrne, Chowhan, Hamblett, J. Hussain and
Shuttleworth

Also in Attendance:

Elise Brophy	Senior Licensing Officer
Laila Chowdhury	Constitutional Services
Jack Grennan	Constitutional Services
Susan Loftus	Licensing Projects and Hearing
Sumayya Rawat	Solicitor

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Hindle.

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**

There were no public questions received.

5 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th June 2025 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/2025/38**

The Panel considered an application to review a dual driver licence, where a conviction recorded against the licence holder calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the licence holder 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 had appeared before the Panel, namely convictions or information held, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the Driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, and accordingly the licence be **SUSPENDED** with immediate effect for a period of 28 days due to the Driver's recent driving convictions.

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

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DP/2025/39

The Panel considered a report to review a dual driver licence, which, due to a conviction recorded against the licence holder calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the licence holder was referred to the Panel for determination.

RESOLVED that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the licence holder had appeared before the Panel, namely their driving convictions, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the licence holder's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the licence holder was no longer considered to be a fit and proper person and accordingly the licence was to be **REVOKED** with immediate effect.

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

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DP/2025/40

The Panel considered a report that informed them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to a conviction calls in to question the Applicant's 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 had 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 was deemed a fit and proper person and accordingly a licence be **GRANTED** for a period of 12 months. During this period, if there are no complaints or convictions against the Applicant, their licence will be extended for a further two years.

NOTE: The Applicant attended the meeting with a Representative and addressed the Panel.

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DP/2025/33

The Panel considered a report that informed Members of an application for a new dual driver's licence, which, due to a conviction calls in to question the Applicant's 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 had appeared before the Panel, namely conviction, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the Applicant's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Applicant was deemed a fit and proper person and accordingly the application be GRANTED for a period of 12 months and to be extended for a further two years providing that there are no complaints or issues during this period. The Applicant demonstrated consistently over the last two years that they are a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

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

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DP/2025/42

The Panel considered a report that informed Members of an application for a new dual driver's licence, which, due to a conviction calls in to question the Applicant's 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 had 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 was deemed a fit and proper person and accordingly GRANTED a licence for a period of 12 months, to be extended for a further two years.

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

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DP/2025/43

The Panel considered a report to review a dual driver licence, where a conviction recorded against the licence holder calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the licence holder was referred to the Panel for determination.

RESOLVED that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the licence holder had appeared before the Panel, namely convictions, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the licence holder's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the licence holder was deemed a fit and proper

person and accordingly cautioned with no further action to be taken.

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

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DP/2025/44

The Panel considered a report to review a dual driver licence, where a conviction recorded against the licence holder calls in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence. As such, the licence holder was referred to the Panel for determination.

RESOLVED that, based on the information provided to the Panel, having taken into account the reason the licence holder had appeared before the Panel, namely convictions, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the licence holder's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the licence holder was no longer considered to be a fit and proper person and accordingly the licence be REVOKED with immediate effect.

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

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APPEALS UPDATE 08/07/2025

RESOLVED that the Appeals update be noted.

The meeting started at 9.30 am and ended at 1.35 pm