

**LICENSING DRIVER PANEL**  
**17/02/2026 at 9.30 am**



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

Also in Attendance:

Alan Evans	Group Solicitor
Jack Grennan	Constitutional Services
Susan Loftus	Licensing Officer
Nicola Lord	Licensing Officer

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 for the panel to consider.

5           **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2026 be approved as a correct record.

6           **ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

**RESOLVED:** That the Order of Proceedings was 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/2026/18**

The Panel considered an application to grant a dual driver's licence, which due to convictions calls into 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 Driver had appeared before the Panel, namely convictions for speeding on three occasions since 2024, the report written by the Officer, her 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 was refused on

the grounds that the Applicant's convictions demonstrate that they are not a safe driver.

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

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**DP/2026/19**

The Panel considered an application to grant a dual driver's licence, which due to a conviction calls into 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 Driver had appeared before the Panel, namely convictions, the report written by the Officer, her recommendations, the Applicant's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Applicant is a fit and proper person and accordingly granted the Applicant a licence for a period of 1 year with the licence to be renewed for a further two years if the Council receives no complaints about the Applicant's behaviour in the meantime or if the Applicant receives any convictions.

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

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**DP/2026/20**

The Panel considered an application to grant a Dual Driver's licence, which due to convictions calls into 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 three serious motoring offences since 2020, the report written by the Officer, her 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 was refused on the grounds that the decision is in accordance with the guidelines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability.

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

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**DP/2026/21**

The Panel considered an application to grant a Dual Driver's licence, which due to convictions calls into 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 Driver had

appeared before the Panel, namely convictions, the report written by the Officer, her recommendations, the Applicant's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Applicant is a fit and proper person and accordingly the Applicant be granted a licence for a period of 1 year with the licence to be renewed annually for each of the following 2 years subject to the Council receiving no complaints about the Applicant's conduct or the Applicant receiving no convictions in the meantime..

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

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**DP/2026/22**

The Panel considered an application to grant a Dual Driver's licence, which, due to convictions and the Applicant's failure to notify the Council of his convictions when he applied for the licence, calls into 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 Driver had appeared before the Panel namely convictions and the Applicant's failure to notify the Council of convictions when applying for the licence, the report written by the Officer, her 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 was refused on the grounds that the Applicant had been informed by his current licensing authority in 2022 that convictions must be stated when any driver licence application is submitted, but despite this, the Applicant had failed to notify the Council of his conviction in the application.

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

The meeting started at 9.35 am and ended at 12.10 pm