

***LICENSING DRIVER PANEL  
Regulatory Committee  
Agenda***

Date Tuesday 1 September 2026

Time 10.00 am

Venue JR Clynes Building, Cultural Quarter, Greaves Street, Oldham, OL1 1AL

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Membership of the LICENSING DRIVER PANEL  
Councillors Arstan, Brownridge, Chowhan, Shuttleworth, Taleb, Tarbuck and Wilkinson

Item No

1 Apologies For Absence

2 Election of Chair

The Panel is asked to elect a Chair for the duration of the meeting.

3 Urgent Business

Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair

4 Declarations of Interest

To Receive Declarations of Interest in any Contract or matter to be discussed at the meeting.

5 Public Question Time

To receive Questions from the Public, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

6 Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 5 - 8)

The Minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026 are attached for approval.

7 Order of Proceedings (Pages 9 - 10)

8 Exclusion of the Press and Public

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 paragraph(s) 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.

9 DP/2026/51 (Pages 11 - 18)

The purpose of this report is to ask Members to review a dual driver licence where information 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 has been referred to this Panel for determination.

10 DP/2026/54 (Pages 19 - 24)

The purpose of this report is to ask Members to review a dual driver licence where information 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 has been referred to this Panel for determination.

11 DP/2026/55 (Pages 25 - 30)

The purpose of this report is to ask Members to review a dual driver licence where information 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 has been referred to this Panel for determination.

12 DP/2026/56 (Pages 31 - 36)

The purpose of this report is to ask Members to review a dual driver licence where information 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 has been referred to this Panel for determination.

13 DP/2026/57 (Pages 37 - 42)

The purpose of this report is to inform Members of an application to renew a dual hackney carriage / private hire driver's licence, where convictions recorded against the applicant; calls into question whether they remain a 'fit and proper' person to hold a licence.

14 Appeals update 01/09/2026 (Pages 43 - 46)

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an update on any appeals against the decisions of the Council's Licensing Drivers Panel.

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**LICENSING DRIVER PANEL**  
**21/07/2026 at 10.00 am**



**Present:** Councillor Chowhan (Chair)  
Councillors Arstan, Shuttleworth, Taleb, Tarbuck and Taylor  
(Substitute)

Also in Attendance:

|              |                                            |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Elise Brophy | Senior Licensing Officer                   |
| Alan Evans   | Solicitor                                  |
| Susan Loftus | Licensing Projects and Hearings<br>Officer |
| Kaidy McCann | Constitutional Services                    |

**1 ELECTION OF CHAIR**

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Chowhan be elected Chair for the duration on the meeting.

**2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Wilkinson.

**3 URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

**4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

**5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received.

**6 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meetings held on 30<sup>th</sup> June and 7<sup>th</sup> July 2026 be approved as a correct record.

**7 ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

**RESOLVED** that the Order of Proceedings be noted.

**8 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.

**9 DP/2026/49**

The Panel considered an application to review a Dual Driver's Licence, where information recorded against the licence holder called in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence.

**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, their recommendations, the Driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Driver was not a fit and proper person and accordingly the licence be revoked with immediate effect in accordance with the guidance in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability.

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

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**DP/2026/50**

The Panel considered an application to review a Dual Driver's Licence, where information recorded against the licence holder called in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence.

**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, their recommendations, the Driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Driver was not a fit and proper person and accordingly a written warning be issued.

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

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**DP/2026/53**

The Panel considered an application to review a Dual Driver's Licence, where information recorded against the licence holder called in to question their fitness and propriety to be a suitable person to hold such a licence.

**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, their recommendations, the Driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Driver was not a fit and proper person and accordingly the licence be revoked with immediate effect in accordance with the guidance in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability.

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

The meeting started at 10.00 am and ended at 11.40 am



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## **LICENSING PANEL (DRIVERS) ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

### **Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Applications and Reviews**

Panel Members and Officers introduce themselves

1. The Licensing Officer will introduce the Applicant/Driver and their representative (if they have one).
2. The Licensing Officer will introduce the application/review and the reasons for bringing it to the Panel.
3. Members and the Applicant/Driver and their representative may question the Licensing Officer
4. The Applicant/Driver and their representative will be offered the opportunity to make representations or add any further information.
5. Members or Officers may then question the Applicant/Driver.
6. The Licensing Officer will then summarise.
7. The Applicant/Driver and their representative will be offered the opportunity to summarise their case.
8. All parties will be asked to leave the room while the Panel considers the matter and will be brought back in to be informed of the Panel's decision.

Licensing Officer will leave with the Applicant/Driver and their representative and explain to them outside the meeting what happens next.

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