

LICENSING DRIVER PANEL
02/09/2025 at 9.30 am



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

Also in Attendance:

Elise Brophy	Senior Licensing Officer
Alan Evans	Solicitor
Susan Loftus	Licensing Projects and Hearing Officer
Kaidy McCann	Constitutional Services

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hamblett and 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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 8th July 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/2025/45

The Panel considered an application to review a dual driver's licence, due to a conviction 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 had appeared before the Panel, namely a conviction for driving without due care and attention, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Driver was no longer considered to be a fit and proper person and accordingly the licence was to be **SUSPENDED** for 2 months in accordance with the guidelines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability with immediate effect on the grounds of public safety.

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

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DP/2025/46

The Panel considered an application to review a dual driver's licence, due to a conviction 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 had appeared before the Panel, namely a conviction for driving without due care and attention, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Driver was no longer considered to be a fit and proper person and accordingly the licence was to be **REVOKED** in accordance with the guidelines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability with immediate effect on the grounds of public safety.

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

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DP/2025/47

The Panel considered an application to review a dual driver's licence, due to a conviction 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 had appeared before the Panel, namely a conviction for driving without due care and attention, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the application be **DEFERRED** to the next Panel meeting.

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

The Panel considered an application to review a dual driver's licence, due to a conviction 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 had appeared before the Panel, namely a conviction for driving without due care and attention, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Driver was no longer considered to be a fit and proper person and accordingly the licence was to be **SUSPENDED** for 1 month in accordance with the guidelines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability with immediate effect on the grounds of public safety.

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

The Panel considered an application to review a dual driver's licence, due to a conviction 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 had appeared before the Panel, namely a conviction for driving without due care and attention, the report written by the Officer, their recommendations, the driver's comments and the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, the Driver was no longer considered to be a fit and proper person and accordingly the licence was to be **REVOKED** in accordance with the guidelines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability with immediate effect on the grounds of public safety.

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

The Panel considered a report that informed them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to convictions recorded against the Applicant called 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 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 not a fit and proper person and accordingly the application be REFUSED in accordance with the guidelines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability.



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

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DP/2025/51

The Panel considered a report that informed them of an application for a new Dual Driver's licence, which, due to convictions recorded against the Applicant called 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 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 the application be GRANTED for a probationary period of twelve months.

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

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APPEALS UPDATE 02/09/2025

RESOLVED that the appeals update be noted.

The meeting started at 9.30 am and ended at 1.36 pm