LICENSING DRIVER PANEL
01/09/2026 at 10.00 am

Present: Councillor Chowhan (Chair)
Councillors Arstan, Brownridge, Shuttleworth, Taleb and Tarbuck

Also in Attendance:

Alan Evans	Solicitor
Nicola Lord	Principal Licensing Officer
Kaidy McCann	Constitutional Services

1 **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

RESOLVED that Councillor Chowhan be elected Chair for the duration of 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 meeting held on 21st 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/2026/51**

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, 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 suspended for 3 months with immediate effect in accordance with the guidlines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability as the Driver's convictions related to speeding offences which put the public at risk.

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

10 **DP/2026/54**

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,

1. 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, 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 suspend for 2 months with immediate effect in accordance with the guidlines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability.
2. When the suspension expires the Driver be subject to a 12 month probation period, during which if the Council receives any complaints about his behaviour or he receives any further convictions he will be brought back before the Panel.

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

11 **DP/2026/55**

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, 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 suspended for 2

months with immediate effect in accordance with the guidlines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability, as his conviction had put the public at risk.

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

12 **DP/2026/56**

RESOLVED that the item be deferred as the Driver had failed to attend.

13 **DP/2026/57**

The Panel considered an application to renew 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 information received, the report written by the Officer, 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 application to renew the licence be refused in accordance with the guidlines in the Council's Statement of Fitness and Suitability and the decision shall take immediate effect on the grounds of public safety as the conviction was for driving without insurance, which put the public at risk.

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

14 **APPEALS UPDATE 01/09/2026**

RESOLVED that the Appeals Update be noted.

The meeting started at 10.00 am and ended at 12.39 pm