

LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB-COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 2025

Present:

Councillors Atkins, Gearon and Hayes (Chair)

Officers in Attendance:

Legal Officer

222. APOLOGIES

None.

223. MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Hayes, seconded by Councillor Gearon and

RESOLVED

The Minutes of the meeting held on 03 October 2025 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

224. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)

None.

225. REQUEST FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE EXTENSION FOR FURTHER 12 MONTHS - AK64 OGB

The Sub-Committee noted the information provided by way of the report. In particular the Sub-Committee noted that the vehicle's MOT certificate expires in July 2026, with one advisory. The vehicle had also passed its annual taxi inspection test. The Applicant was unable to be in attendance.

The Sub-Committee commented that the vehicle appeared to be kept in a good and sound condition although noted the age of the vehicle and higher mileage.

The Sub-Committee were satisfied that the vehicle was in a good and sound condition and that public safety would not be compromised by the granting of the licence sought.

Decision:

Accordingly, the Sub-Committee granted the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence Extension as detailed in the report with the additional condition that the vehicle

undergoes a six-month vehicle test to monitor the condition of the vehicle due to its age and the advisory listed.

226. REQUEST FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE OVER 5 YEARS - OE69 MZG

The Sub-Committee noted the information provided by way of the report. In particular the Sub-Committee noted that the vehicle's MOT certificate expires in September 2026 with two advisories. The vehicle passed its taxi inspection test with an advisory.

The Applicant was unable to be in attendance, but the Sub-Committee noted the Applicant's request which detailed the reasons for requesting a licence for a vehicle over the policy age.

The Sub-Committee noted that the vehicle's age was just over the Council's policy for licensing new vehicles but considered that it had met all requirements other than this. As such the Sub-Committee felt they should deviate from the Council's Taxi and Private Hire Policy in this particular circumstance as they were satisfied that the vehicle was in a good and sound condition and that public safety would not be compromised by the granting of the licence sought.

Decision:

Accordingly, the Sub-Committee granted the new Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence as detailed in the report with no additional conditions.

227. REQUEST FOR A SMALL PLATE FOR A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE - WF25 KNF

The Sub-Committee noted the information provided by way of the report. The Applicant was unable to be in attendance, but the Sub-Committee understood from the Applicant's request that the vehicle is to be used for executive travel.

The Sub-Committee were satisfied that the vehicle was in a good and sound condition and that public safety would not be compromised by the granting of the licence sought.

Decision:

The application to display a small plate on vehicle Skoda Kodiak, vehicle registration WG25 KNF be approved.

Having considered the photos of the vehicle and read all written material, the Sub-Committee considered the resolution above would be best suited to the applicant whilst meeting the Council's licensing responsibilities.

Cllr R Hayes
Chair