

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

(Port Talbot Civic Centre - Committee Room 1/2)

Members Present:

22 February 2016

Chairperson: Councillor E.E.Jones

Vice Chairperson: Councillor H.M.Bebell

Councillors: Mrs.R.Davies, Mrs.D.Jones, Ms.C.Morgans,
D.M.Peters, D.Whitelock, A.Taylor and
Mrs.A.Wingrave

Officers In Attendance: N.Chapple, I.Davies and Mrs.T.Davies

1. **PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENSING**

Members considered a request from Mrs F.Peel, of "Take me to Wales", Woodfield House, Castle Walk, Neath, who is a prospective private hire operator. Mrs Peel requested that consideration be given to granting her an exemption to display door signs and a rear back plate on her private hire vehicles.

- RESOLVED:**
1. that the door signs issued by the Authority are not required to be displayed on the vehicle when the vehicle is being used in connection with the main business of 'Take me to Wales';
 2. that the back plate issued by the Authority shall be secured to the inside of the boot at times when the vehicle is being used in connection with the main business of 'Take me to Wales';
 3. that should the vehicle be used for private hire work, which is not in connection with the main business of 'Take me to Wales', the door signs and back plate shall be secured to the vehicle in the locations specified in the Authority's Taxi Licensing Policy.

2. **SUSPENSION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE
VEHICLE DRIVER LICENCES - DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

To seek approval from members to extend the scheme of delegated authority for the suspension of hackney carriage and private hire vehicle driver licences.

- RESOLVED:**
1. that delegated authority be granted to both the Head of Legal Services and the Licensing Manager, to lift the suspension imposed on a hackney carriage or private hire vehicle driver licence, where the licence has previously been suspended for a medical reason;
 2. that the power to lift the suspension be subject to consultation with the legal adviser and the Chair or Vice Chair of the Committee and that the matter be reported to the Registration and Licensing Committee.

CHAIRPERSON