

Licensing Sub Committee 2

29 June 2020 at 10.00am
Virtual online meeting

Present: Councillor Rouf (Chair)
Councillors S Davies, Eaves, I Jones and Mabena.

1/20 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L Giles and Preece.

2/20 **Declarations of Interest**

None

3/20 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th October 2019 were agreed as a correct record.

4/20 **Exclusion of the Public**

Resolved that the public and press be excluded from the rest of the meeting to avoid the possible disclosure of exempt information under Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) Order, 2006, relating to any individual and information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.



Matters Delegated to the Sub Committee to consider Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 – Private Hire Driver's/Vehicles/Operators Licensing related matters

5/20

Application for the grant of a Dual Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence in respect of Mr M A

The Licensing Sub Committee considered an application for the grant of a Dual Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence in respect of Mr M A.

Mr M A attended the meeting and confirmed that he had received a copy of the report.

The Licensing Manager advised that Mr M A had held licences previously with Sandwell for over 10 years, with his most recent Licence expiring in 2011. He currently held a licence with Wolverhampton City Council.

Mr M A had been invited to attend Committee as he was unable to produce a certificate of good conduct from Pakistan with his application and he had failed to notify the Taxi Licensing Office in respect of two speeding offences which happened on 8th June 2019.

Guidance on how to obtain the necessary certificate of good conduct was provided to Mr M A and a certificate of good conduct had been submitted to the Taxi Licensing Office and this had been circulated to members.

Mr M A explained the circumstances surrounding the offences and claimed that he had not notified the Taxi Licensing Office as he was unsure whether his application would be processed and apologised for his mistake.

The Sub Committee took advice from its Legal Advisor before adjourning to make a decision on the application.

Having considered all the information before them, the Sub Committee was minded to grant the Dual Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence in respect of Mr M A and gave an advisory warning that his Licence would be reviewed by Committee, should he incur any further points. He should ensure that any further convictions or offences be reported to the Taxi Licensing Office within 7days, in accordance with the conditions of his licence.

Resolved that the Dual Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence in respect of Mr M A be granted;

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In making the decision the Committee had regard to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, Council Policy and Guidelines, relevant case law and the Human Rights Act 1998

Meeting ended at 11.39am