



City and County of Swansea

## Minutes of the **General Licensing Committee**

Multi-Location Meeting - Lilian Hopkin Room, Guildhall / MS

Teams

Friday, 6 December 2024 at 10.00 am

**Present:** Councillor P M Matthews (Chair) Presided

**Councillor(s)**

P Downing  
S Joy  
L V Walton

**Councillor(s)**

N Furlong  
P Lloyd

**Councillor(s)**

V A Holland  
M W Locke

**Officer(s)**

Yvonne Lewis  
Richard Jenkins  
Samantha Jenkins  
Adrian Jeremiah

Team Leader, Licensing  
Operational Lead - Taxis  
Democratic Services Officer  
Lead Lawyer

**Apologies for Absence**

Councillor(s): J P Curtice, R D Lewis and C L Philpott

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**37 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interest.**

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

**38 Minutes.**

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the General Licensing Committee held on 1 November, 2024 be agreed as a correct record.

**39 Exclusion of the Public.**

The Committee was requested to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of the items of business identified in the recommendations to the report on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in the exclusion paragraph of 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation)(Wales) Order 2007, relevant to the item of business as set out in the report.

The Committee considered the Public Interest Test in deciding to exclude the public from the meeting for the items of business where the Public Interest Test was relevant, as set out in the report.

**Resolved** that the public be excluded for the following items of business.

**(Closed Session)**

**40 Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and Local Government - (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 - Application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence - AAFAR.**

The Team Leader – Licensing detailed the background in respect of AAFAR.

Members asked questions of the Officers who responded accordingly.

AAFAR explained the circumstances relating to the matter and answered Members questions.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) AAFAR's request for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence be approved.

**41 Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 - Application for the Grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence - MU.**

The Operational Lead – Taxis detailed the background in respect of MU.

MU's partner, AT, explained the circumstances relating to the matter and answered Members questions.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) MU's request for the grant of a Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence be refused.

Reason for Decision

The Committee questioned MU's safety and suitability to hold a licence.

MU also gave no evidence, exceptional circumstances or justifiable reasons for Members to depart from paragraphs 4.27, 4.39 and 4.42 of their Guidance.

The meeting ended at 10.49 am

**Chair**