

CYNGOR GWYNEDD
GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE

Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972

1 December 2025

Virtual Meeting

Attendance:

Councillors: Anwen Davies, Alan Jones Evans, Gwilym Evans, Annwen Hughes, John Brynmor Hughes, Gareth Tudor Jones, Edgar Wyn Owen, Huw Rowlands, Elfed Williams, Gwynfor Owen, Arwyn Herald Roberts, Meryl Roberts, Angela Russell, Hefin Underwood and Gareth Williams

Officers: Gwenan Mai Roberts (Licensing Manager), Nia Grisdale (Legal Services Manager), Andrew Parry (Trading Standards and Licensing Manager) and Lowri Haf Evans (Democracy Services Officer)

Apologies:

None to note

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SUBJECT:

ITEM 5: REVIEW OF CYNGOR GWYNEDD TAXI POLICIES – Relevant Convictions Policy – Suitability Criteria for Drivers and Operators

The Institute of Licensing's Suitability Guidance Document – Guidance on determining the suitability of applicants and licensees in the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire industry

DECISION

- To welcome the report which offered clear directions and aligned the Council's Criteria Policy with the Institute of Licensing's Suitability Guidance and other Councils' policies
- To accept the proposals in terms of reviewing the 'Suitability Criteria for Drivers and Operators' and approve them to be implemented from 1 January 2026, subject to deleting the words 'caused by driving' in paragraph 3.1 of the report – *Licence applications should not be considered under any circumstances where offences have resulted in death caused by driving.*
- To approve the adoption of the latest guidance by the Institute of Licensing – *Guidance on determining the suitability of applicants and licensees in the hackney carriage and private hire industry 2024*, and any subsequent updates as additional official guidance to be considered alongside the Council's Suitability Criteria convictions policy.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour: 15
Against: 0
Abstentions: 0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.
