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MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of Licensing and Regulatory Committee held
on Tuesday, 27th November, 2018 at 10.00 am**

PRESENT: County Councillor Jim Higginson (Vice Chairman as Chair)

County Councillors: A. Easson, M.Lane, J.Pratt, R.Roden,
J.Treharne, R. Edwards, D. Evans, L. Guppy and A. Webb

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Linda O'Gorman	Principal Licensing Officer
Leigh Beach	Licensing Officer
Nicola Perry	Senior Democracy Officer

APOLOGIES:

Councillors B. Strong

1. Apologies for absence

2. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations made by Members.

3. To exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with section 100A the Local Government Act, as amended, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

The Committee resolved to exclude press and public from the meeting.

4. To consider whether the applicant is "Fit and Proper" to hold a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence

The Chairman welcomed the driver and his representative to the meeting and introduced Members of the Committee and the attending Officers and explained the protocol for the meeting.

The driver confirmed their name and address to the Committee. The driver confirmed receipt of the report.

The key issues and details were read out to the Committee.

The driver was then given the opportunity to address the Committee, to put forward any relevant explanations. Following this, Members of the Committee put forward questions to the driver and discussion ensued. The driver's representative was then given the opportunity to sum up, on behalf of the driver.

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Following questioning, officers, the driver and representative left the meeting to allow the Committee the opportunity to deliberate and discuss the findings.

Upon re-commencement, the Vice-Chairman advised that the Committee had considered the issues and had come to the view that the applicant should be granted an initial licence for the standard 3 years.

5. To confirm and sign the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting of Licensing and Regulatory Committee held on 16th October 2018 were confirmed and signed by the Vice-Chair.

6. To note the date and time of the next meeting as 15th January 2019 at 10:00am

Noted.

The meeting ended at 10:30am