

## Knowledge & suitability interview declarations

Applicant:

Application ref:

Date of interview:

### Licensing Officer

I have interviewed the aforementioned driver, covering the following topics:

- What to do when charged or convicted of an offence;
- Reporting accidents;
- What to do with lost property;
- What is meant by 'tout or solicit';
- Unnecessarily prolonging the journey;
- Conveying guide/assistance dog and wheelchair bound passengers;
- Examples of checks that should be made on the vehicle before starting work;
- What steps should be taken to make a customer aware of the vehicle when carrying out a pre-arranged booking;
- Appearance and attitude;
- The importance of good customer service, maintaining high standards of professionalism and how this affects the 'bigger picture'.

The applicant has demonstrated to me that they have read and understood Appendix 1 of the 'Taxi Handbook'; Standard Conditions for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Taking into account the above, all of the information supplied upon application, the results of the DBS certificate and the suitability of the applicant, which I have assessed taking into account the observation made by Justice Silber in the Leeds City Council v Hussain case, I recommend that the applicant be granted a licence to act as the driver of a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire vehicle.

Print name:

Signature:

Date:

## Applicant

I understand that:

- I can only drive Hackney Carriages or Private Hire vehicles that are licensed by Taunton Deane Borough Council and that it is an offence to drive a vehicle licensed by another local authority, unless I hold a licence issued by that local authority;
- If I drive a Hackney Carriage licensed by Taunton Deane Borough Council, I can only ply for hire or be hailed within the district of Taunton Deane and that it is an offence to ply for hire or be hailed in another district;

I agree to comply with all of the conditions contained within Appendix 1 of the 'Taxi Handbook'; Standard Conditions for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Print name:

«name»

Signature:

Date: