LICENSING COMMITTEE INFORMATION SHEET 05 JUNE 2024

TYPE OF APPLICATION: Grant of a Taxi Driver Licence
APPLICANT: Abdelhamid Chafi

INFORMATION NOTE

Application submitted on 27/10/2023

Application must be determined by 26/07/2024

All applicants for a Taxi Driver licence must meet DVLA group 2 medical standards.

Mr Chafi previously held a taxi driver licence from 31/10/2018 to 30/10/2019 however the renewal application he submitted for that renewal was withdrawn on 20/02/2020.

Licensing Team submitted the medical referral on 27 October 2023 and the appointment was confirmed for 08/11/2023 and Mr Chafi advised of that.

Having not received any medical report the Licensing Team requested an update from International SOS on 26/03/2024 and received a notification that Mr Chafi had not attended the appointment.

Several attempts have been made to contact Mr Chafi since 26/03/2024 with no response.

To date we do not have proof that Mr Chafi meets DVLA group 2 standards.

DESCRIPTION

Renewal of Taxi Driver Licence

CONSULTEES

Police Scotland

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

Legal – Medical

COMMITTEE GUIDELINES/POLICY

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GROUNDS FOR REFUSAL

A licensing authority shall refuse an application to grant or renew a licence if, in their opinion—

- (a)the applicant or, where the applicant is not a natural person, any director of it or partner in it or any other person responsible for its management, is either—
- (i)for the time being disqualified from holding a licence, or
- (ii)not a fit and proper person to be the holder of the licence;
- (b) the activity to which it relates would be managed by or carried on for the benefit of a person, other than the applicant, who would be refused the grant or renewal of such a licence if he made the application himself;
- (c)where the licence applied for relates to an activity consisting of or including the use of premises or a vehicle or vessel, those premises are not or, as the case may be, that vehicle or vessel is not suitable or convenient for the conduct of the activity having regard to—
- (i)the location, character or condition of the premises or the character or condition of the vehicle or vessel;
- (ii) the nature and extent of the proposed activity;
- (iii)the kind of persons likely to be in the premises, vehicle or vessel;
- (iv)the possibility of undue public nuisance; or
- (v)public order or public safety; or
- (d)there is other good reason for refusing the application;

and otherwise shall grant the application.