

Medway Council
Meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee
Friday, 1 May 2026
1.01pm to 2.03pm

Record of the meeting

Present: Councillors: McDonald (Chairperson), Browne (Vice-Chairperson), Kemp, Nestorova and Sands

Substitutes: Councillors:
Jackson

In Attendance: Nicola Couchman, Democratic Services Officer
Franco De Fazio, Senior Licensing Officer
Kyle Rogers, Lawyer

899 Apologies for absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Peake.

900 Record of meeting

The record of the meetings held on 6 February and 19 February 2026 were agreed and signed by the Chairperson.

901 Urgent matters by reason of special circumstances

There were none.

902 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests

Disclosable pecuniary interests

There were none.

Other significant interests (OSIs)

There were none.

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Other interests

There were none.

903 Exclusion of the press and public

The Sub-Committee agreed to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of agenda item 6 because consideration of these matters in public would disclose information falling within paragraphs 1, 2 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as specified in agenda item 5 (Exclusion of press and public) and, in all the circumstances of the cases, the Sub-Committee considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

904 Appeal against the issuing of internal penalty points to a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence

Discussion:

The Licensing Sub Committee considered an appeal against penalty points issued to a Hackney Carriage Driver Licence.

Decision:

In the interests of fairness, transparency and proper standards of decision-making, the Sub Committee decided that the appeal should be allowed and the 5 internal penalty points issued should be removed.

Chairperson

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