

**Public
Key Decision - No**

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Title: Suspension & Revocation of Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licences.

Meeting/Date: Licensing and Protection Committee – 05 June 2025 –

Executive Portfolio: Executive Councillor for Resident Services and Corporate Performance – Councillor Stephen Ferguson

Report by: Licensing Manager – Michelle Bishop

Ward(s) affected: All.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Public Protection Manager & Licensing Manager have delegated authority to refuse, suspend or revoke Private Hire and Hackney Carriage driver and vehicle licences under the powers delegated by the Licensing and Protection Committee.

Below is a summary of the actions that have taken place over the last 6 months.

2. REPORT

2.1 01. 03. 2025 to 22.05.2025

Date	Licence type	Decision	Reason	Comments
March 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
March 2025	Driver	Revocation of Hackney Badge	Complaints	
March 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Accident damage	
March 2025	HC Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
March 2025	Driver	21-day suspension	Overdue Medical	

March 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	dangerous defects	
March 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	dangerous defects	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Accident damage	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Unspecified defect	
April 2025	HC Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Unspecified defect	
April 2025	Dual Driver	Suspension	No Medical Provided	
April 2025	Dual Driver	Suspension	No Medical Provided	
April 2025	Dual Driver	Refusal to Grant	Fit and Proper Status	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Accident damage	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Test failure x 2	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
April 2025	Dual Driver	21-day suspension	Overdue Medical	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
April 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
May 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
May 2025	HC Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
May 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Major Defects - test failure	
May 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Accident damage	
May 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Accident damage	
May 2025	PH Vehicle	Immediate Suspension	Accident damage	
May 2025	Private Hire Driver	Revocation	Complaints	
May 2025	Dual Driver	Revocation	Following committee hearing	
May 2025	HC Vehicle	Revocation	Following committee hearing	

May 2025	PH Operator	Removal of one of the named operators Immediate Suspension Immediate Suspension 21 day suspension		
May 2025	HC Vehicle		Dangerous defects - test failure	May 2025
May 2025	PH Vehicle		Major Defects - test failure	May 2025
May 2025	Dual Driver		Over due Medical	May 2025

Period Summary

Drivers	9
Vehicles	27
Operators	1

3. PENALTY POINTS ISSUED

- 3.1 As per the updated Taxi policy in May 2024, we can now issue Penalty Points as a way of disposing with incidents but still allows us to build a picture of driver behaviour.

Below is a summary of what has been issues from May – September 2024

Date	Licence Type	Points Issued	Reason
17/03/2025	PH Vehicle	3	Failure to return suspended Plate
17/03/2025	PH Operator	3	Failure to Return Suspended Plate
17/03/2025	Dual Driver	3	Failure to declare SP30
18/03/2025	Private Hire Driver	6	Aggressive Behaviour towards Public
18/03/2025	PH Vehicle	6	Major Defects x2 Broken Coil Springs
18/03/2025	Dual Driver	6	Major Defects x2 Broken Coil Springs
01.04.2025	PH Driver	3	Failure to notify SP30 & x3 DVLA points
09/05/2025	PH Operator	12	Dangerous Defects
09/05/2025	PH Vehicle	12	Dangerous Defects

4. MATTERS TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT

- 4.1 We currently have no outstanding licensing decisions that are awaiting a court date.

Date of original HDC decision	Licence type	Result
January 2025	New Driver - Refused	Full hearing listed for May 2025 Update – Court upheld the committee decision and appeal was dismissed.

5. RECOMMENDATION

5.1 Members are requested to note and consider the above information.

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