

# TORBAY COUNCIL

**Please reply to:** Mr Shaun Rackley

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**Your ref:**

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**Date:** 23 November 2023

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Dear Mr Woodall,

## **Re: Application for Licensed Drivers badge**

I am writing to you following your submission of an application for a Licensed drivers badge with Torbay Council.

Unfortunately, after checking the application, it has been identified you have a relevant conviction which is listed in Torbay Councils Taxi Policy.

The Policy states the following:

### *5 Drugs*

*5.1 A serious view is taken of any conviction involving drug related offences.*

*5.2 A licence will not normally be granted until at least ten years have passed since the completion of any sentence following conviction for an offence shown below:*

- *The supply of drugs*
- *Possession with intent to supply*
- *Connected with possession with intent to supply*
- *Production of drugs*
- *Any similar offences (including attempted or conspiracy to commit) or offences which replace the above*

The conviction which you received for producing controlled drug – class B, dated the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 2014, is covered under this section of the Policy. Furthermore, ten years have not passed since the completion of the sentence.

A decision on whether a Licensed driver's badge can be granted, or refused must be made by Torbay Council's Licensing Committee.

A provisional hearing date of **Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2023 at 09:30hrs** has been set, however, this may be subject to change until early January 2024 dependent on Members availability. I will keep you informed once I have final confirmation of the date.

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If you require this in a different format or language, please contact me.



Please can you respond in writing with any mitigating circumstances that will support your application. This will be included in the report, however, you will also be invited to attend and address the Committee members on the day and put your case before them.

Please can you return all requested information by no later than **Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2023**. Failure to return the documents may delay the hearing and a later date being set.

If you wish to withdraw your application, please let me know and I can arrange a refund of the fee paid.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

**Should you need to contact us please quote the reference number above.**

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Rackley'.

Shaun Rackley  
Licensing Officer