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Dear Member

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2021

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at the Thursday, 18 February 2021 meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee, the following reports that were unavailable when the agenda was printed.

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2.	Consideration of the fit and proper status of the holder of a dual Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers' Licence Additional information	(Pages 21 - 27)

Yours sincerely

Teresa Buckley
Clerk

Rackley, Shaun

From:
Sent: 14 January 2021 12:04
To: Rackley, Shaun
Subject: Re: Additional information

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Julian LawrenceBall

On Thu, 14 Jan 2021 at 11:58, Rackley, Shaun <Shaun.Rackley@torbay.gov.uk> wrote:

Hi Julian,

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Regards

Shaun

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Please reply to: Mr Shaun Rackley
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Mr J Lawrence-Ball



My ref: M:007584/SAR
Your ref:
Telephone: 01803 208025
Website: www.torbay.gov.uk
Date: 20 January 2021

Dear Mr Lawrence-Ball

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976
Medical information required

I am writing to you following a Licensing Sub-Committee hearing which was heard on the 14th January 2021, this was to determine if you remain a fit and proper person to hold a Licensed Drivers badge with this Local Authority following an accumulation of DVLA points and failure to report these issues.

During the hearing and from your previous submission to the Committee members, you have highlighted that you have suffered with mental health in recent years, most notably last year and you are still struggling with it occasionally to date. As a Licensed Driver carrying fare paying members of the public, it is paramount that all medical illnesses/conditions which may affect your driving capabilities are reported to the Licensing Authority, which is something you have not done. The Licensing Sub Committee has adjourned your hearing until the **18th February 2021** in order for you to obtain a medical letter from your G.P. or a doctor within your medical practice that has full access to your records. Or alternatively, a specialist report if you are undergoing treatment for mental health or mental illness. This is to help members determine if you remain medically fit to hold a Licence.

The information we require (and it is not limited to) is as follows:-

- What mental health or mental illness you are currently suffering from as you did not declare this.
- Information on any medication that you are taking in relation to mental health/illness.
- Background history in relation to your mental health/illness
- Does the G.P. or specialist consider you medically fit and have no concerns about your mental health, especially in regards to driving and/or, whilst carrying passengers?

The G.P. or specialist should have regard to the DVLA's medical guidance in relation to

Schools and services for children and young people • social care and housing • recycling, waste disposal and clean streets • community safety • roads and transportation • town planning • tourism, harbours and economic regeneration • consumer protection and licensing • leisure, museums, libraries and arts

Group 2 medical conditions as laid out by the DVLA, this is due to you being a professional driver. If there are concerns then the matter should also be referred to the DVLA through their reporting mechanisms as required under their guidance.

Please can you ensure you book an appointment as soon as possible and return the required information by no later than the **16th February 2021** in preparation for the hearing.

If you or your G.P./specialist wish to discuss the matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the number above, or via email.

I look forward to receiving the information in due course.

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

Yours sincerely



Mr Shaun Rackley
Licensing Officer
Licensing & Public Protection

CC – [REDACTED]

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Rackley, Shaun

From:

Sent: 20 January 2021 14:20
To: Rackley, Shaun
Subject: Re: Julian Lawrence-Ball

Thank you for your email. It has been passed to a GP to review.

Kind regards

From: Rackley, Shaun <Shaun.Rackley@torbay.gov.uk>

Sent: 20 January 2021 10:21 AM

Subject: Julian Lawrence-Ball

Good morning,

Please find attached a copy of a letter to add to your records.

Mr Lawrence-Ball is a patient at your medical centre and will hopefully be in contact to arrange an appointment to obtain the specified information regarding his mental health. The information in the letter is for the G.P.'s reference as Mr Lawrence-Ball is a taxi driver and requires this information under the DVLA's group 2 medical guidance.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly via email.

Regards

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Rackley, Shaun

From:
Sent: 16 February 2021 11:24
To: Rackley, Shaun
Subject: Re: Julian Lawrence-Ball

Hi Shaun,

The last shift Julian worked was on January 14th, he has not worked for us since that date. He has also not reported any health issues to us.

Best regards,

On Tue, 16 Feb 2021 at 10:48, Rackley, Shaun <Shaun.Rackley@torbay.gov.uk> wrote:

Hope you are well?

Could you supply me with the following information please:

- Has Julian Lawrence-Ball worked between the 14th January and 16th February 2021?
- Has Julian Lawrence-Ball reported any health issues to you since January 2020?

Thanks