



## APPLICATIONS, DECISIONS AND NOTICES

The Road Transport Act 2001 ("the Act") and the Road Transport Regulations 2018 require the Road Transport Licensing Committee ("the RTLC") to publish details of applications, meetings and decisions.

If you wish to view an application, please contact the RTLC Secretary at [noel.capewell@gov.im](mailto:noel.capewell@gov.im).

Copies of all monthly newsletters are available on the RTLC website: [www.gov.im/rtlc](http://www.gov.im/rtlc).

### OBJECTIONS

The Act provides for the RTLC to consider objections to applications in certain circumstances. Any person considering submitting an objection should first read the "Note on the submission by members of the public of objections to applications made to the RTLC" ("the Note") which is published in the "Downloadable Documents" section on front page of the RTLC website [here](#).

The Note sets out the procedure for submitting an objection, including the circumstances in which the RTLC is able to consider objections. Please be aware that the RTLC has no power to consider objections outside of the circumstances outlined in the Note.

### RTLC OFFICE

The RTLC office operates on an appointment only basis. If you come to the office without an appointment you may have a wasted journey as there might not be anyone available to assist you.

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## NOTICES

### BUS VANNIN XMAS NIGHT OWLS

There will be no Night Owl buses on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December.

### FURTHER RTLC OFFICE CLOSURES

The RTLC office will be **closed** on **28<sup>th</sup> December**.

The computer licensing system currently used by the RTLC office is no longer fully supported by the company that created it. As a result, the RTLC office is moving to a new system. The old system will close on **16<sup>th</sup> January 2023** and the new system will not be open until **1<sup>st</sup> February 2023** at the earliest.

Reminder letters for all Section 40 PPV Driver licences, all Section 23 Operator Discs and all Section 29 Ply for Hire Service licences have been sent out. I strongly urge anyone with a licence or disc expiring between **16<sup>th</sup> January and 1<sup>st</sup> February** to contact the RTLC office well in advance of the expiry date printed on each licence or disc to ensure that the renewal happens before **16<sup>th</sup> January**.

There will be **no appointments** available between 16<sup>th</sup> January and 1<sup>st</sup> February inclusive as the likelihood is that there will be no active licensing system.

## VEHICLE TESTING

Following the Covid-19 pandemic, which saw the Driving Test & Vehicle Examination Centre ("DTVEC") close for several months in 2020, a backlog of vehicles waiting for annual tests developed. The RTLC adopted an approach which allowed operators to renew their Section 23 Operator Discs on receipt of a confirmed future booking date at the DTVEC.

However, this approach was only ever intended as a temporary measure and will be discontinued from **1<sup>st</sup> March 2023**. After this date, Section 23 Operator Discs will only be renewed on receipt of a test Certificate of Approval from the operator obtained within the past 12 months. It is the RTLC's understanding that you are now able to book your annual test at the DTVEC up to a year in advance so this will mitigate the effects of any remaining backlog.

## APPLICATIONS

The following information is relevant to applications 1 to 4.

Department of Infrastructure, t/a Bus Vannin ("Bus Vannin") currently has approval to operate 90 buses and 90 minibuses.

There are no new operating centres identified in any of these applications. A complete list of all Bus Vannin operating centres is available at the RTLC office. All applications are also available for inspection at the RTLC office.

The registered address for Bus Vannin is Transport Headquarters, Banks Circus, Douglas.

Information regarding specific timetables can be found on the Bus Vannin website or by contacting Bus Vannin at its registered address.

### 1. Bus Vannin – Application for a Variation of a Regular Service Licence ("RSL")

RSL No. 02/08 – Services 1, 1A, 1H, 2, 2A, 2C, 11, 11A, 12, 12A, and N1

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Willaston/Hailwood Venue/Birch Hill and Port Erin/Port St Mary via the Airport & Castletown (11, 11A).
- Nobles Hospital/Hailwood Avenue and Port Erin/Port St Mary via the Airport & Castletown (1, 1A, 1H).
- Onchan, Ballachrink and Port Erin/Port St Mary via the Airport & Castletown (2, 2A).
- Douglas and Port Erin/Port St Mary (N1).

The service currently operates;

- On Mondays to Saturdays between the Promenades, Central Douglas and Port Erin at least every 20 minutes during the day and hourly during the later evening.
- On Sundays it operates every 20 minutes, with slightly reduced early morning and evening frequency.
- Night Owl (N1) journeys only operate on Friday and Saturday nights.

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- The 17:20 (Lord Street) to Port Erin service 1 (via Colby) journey will be operated as a service 11A journey via Shore Road.

Why are the variations required?

- Between 16:50 and 17:50 the frequency from Douglas is every 15 minutes and there are currently three journeys via Colby and one via Shore Road. This then gives journeys every 30 minutes to both Colby and Shore Road.

Any potential objectors should refer to the "Objections" section on page 1 of this AD&N Circular for information on the correct procedure for making objections, including the circumstances in which the RTLC is able to consider objections.

## 2. Bus Vannin – Application for a Variation of a Regular Service Licence

RSL No. 02/19 – Services 3, 3A, N3, X3.

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Douglas and Ramsey via Laxey.

The service currently operates;

- Between Douglas and Ramsey via Laxey – operating every 30 minutes Monday to Saturday daytime and hourly evenings and Sundays (3, 3A, X3).
- Night Owl (N3) journeys only operate on Friday and Saturday nights.

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- The current 07:30 schooldays service 3 journey will now operate at 07:40.

Why is the variation required?

- The service has been re-timed in the Onchan/Willaston area due to operational experience and to eliminate potential early running.

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## 3. Bus Vannin – Application for a Variation of a Regular Service Licence

RSL No. 02/22 – Services 16, 16A, 16B, 17K, 18K, 19C, 20, 20A.

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Ramsey and Maughold, Mondays to Fridays only.
- Ramsey and Jurby/Andreas/Bride.

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- The current 08:40 schooldays service 20A journey will now operate via the Kimmeragh Road between Bride and Andreas – not via Smeale.
- The current 08:40 schooldays service 16B journey will now operate direct from Dhoon School to Ramsey and not via Maughold.

Why is the variation required?

- The journey operates primarily to transport pupils to Andreas School and there have been no pupils boarding on the Coast Road/Smeale section of the route during this school year.
- There has been no patronage on this journey from an area already covered by the ConnectVillages service.

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4. Bus Vannin – Application for a Variation of a Regular Service Licence

RSL No. 02/44 – Services 21, 21A, 21B and 21H.

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Central Douglas and Anagh Coar/Farm Hill via Pulrose & Spring Valley (21) with some journeys extending to IoM Business Park (21B) or extending to Nobles Hospital (21H).

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- The Mondays to Saturdays 17:35 departure from Lord Street, Douglas will now operate at 17:40.

Why is the variation required?

- Operational experience.

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5. Mr SJ Leech – Variation of Operator Registration and Section 29 Ply for Hire Service Licence

To vary the operator registration under Part "A" of the Register of Public Passenger Vehicles through the addition of the right to operate three Section 29 Ply for Hire vehicles of up to eight passenger seats in the North West District. The RTALC has received notification of a surrender of a Section 29 Ply for Hire Service licence, on which this District was specified on all three vehicles, from an existing operator. Accordingly there will be no change to the number of Section 29 Ply for Hire vehicles in the North West District that can be operated.

The applicant would like to further vary the operator registration under Part "A" of the Register of Public Passenger Vehicles through the addition of the right to operate one Class A Private Hire car.

The new registered address is identified in the application as 11 Olaf's Close, Governors Hill.

There are four operating centres listed in the application:

- Knock Foy Beg, Main Road, Santon
- Thompson's Car Park, South Quay, Douglas
- 10 Tramman Park, Anagh Coar, Douglas
- 12 Auburn Road, Onchan

An assurance from the Planning Section at the Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture ("Planning") may be required for all four proposed operating centres.

The applicant currently has approval to operate three Ply for Hire taxis in the East District (one being wheelchair accessible), two Class A Private Hire cars and one Private Hire minibus.

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## **DECISIONS**

1. Miss KM Giles – New Operator Registration and Section 29 Ply for Hire Service Licence

To register as a new operator under Part "A" of the Register through the addition of the right to operate one Section 29 Ply for Hire vehicle of up to eight passenger seats in the Malew District. The RTLC received notification of the surrender of part of a Section 29 Ply for Hire Service licence, on which this District was specified on the vehicle, from an existing operator. Accordingly there will be no change to the number of Section 29 Ply for Hire vehicles in the Malew District that can be operated.

The registered address / operating centre was identified in the application as 10 Marathon Drive, Douglas.

**The application was approved.**

2. Mr P Kneen – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the operator registration under Part "A" of the Register of Public Passenger Vehicles through the addition of an operating centre.

The new operating centre was identified in the application as 56 Barrule Road, Willaston.

**The application was approved.**

3. Mr M Kavak – Variation of Operator Registration and Section 29 Ply for Hire Service Licence

To vary the operator registration under Part "A" of the Register of Public Passenger Vehicles through the addition of the right to operate one Section 29 Ply for Hire vehicle of up to eight passenger seats in the East District (wheelchair accessible). The RTLC received notification of a surrender of a Section 29 Ply for Hire Service licence, on which this District was specified on the vehicle, from an existing operator. Accordingly, there will be no change to the number of Section 29 Ply for Hire vehicles in the East District that can be operated.

**The application was approved.**

4. Mr MA Korzeniewski – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the operator registration under Part "A" of the Register of Public Passenger Vehicles through a change of registered address and operating centre.

The new registered address / operating centre was identified in the application as Ballaskerrow Farm, Ballagawne Road, Baldrine.

The applicant has surrendered 8 Marathon House Apartments, Princes Road, Douglas as an approved operating centre.

The applicant further applied to vary his operator registration through the addition of the right to operate one Class A Private Hire car.

**The application was approved.**

5. Mr SA Rolt and Mr P Joughin – New Section 29 Ply for Hire Service Licence

To apply for a Section 29 Ply for Hire Service Licence which would replace their existing licence on expiry, through the provision of one Ply for Hire taxi in the East District.

**The application was approved.**

6. Mr S Hesketh – Variation of Operator Registration and Section 29 Ply for Hire Service Licence

To vary the operator registration under Part "A" of the Register of Public Passenger Vehicles through the addition of the right to operate one Section 29 Ply for Hire vehicle of up to eight passenger seats in the South and Malew Districts. The RTALC received notification of the surrender of part of a Section 29 Ply for Hire Service licence, on which these Districts were specified on the vehicle, from an existing operator. Accordingly, there will be no change to the number of Section 29 Ply for Hire vehicles in the South and Malew Districts that can be operated.

The registered address / operating centre was identified in the application as 39 Howe Road, Onchan.

**The application was approved.**

7. Mr L Joyce – Variation of Operator Registration

To vary the operator registration under Part "A" of the Register of Public Passenger Vehicles through the addition of the right to operate one Class A Private Hire car.

A new operating centre was identified in the application as 1 Ashbourne Avenue, Saddlestone.

**The application was approved.**

## **RTLC MEETINGS**

The next regularly scheduled meetings of the RTALC for public passenger vehicles which will be held in public are currently due to take place on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at Thie Slieau Whallian, Foxdale Road, St John's.

All individuals that are required to attend a meeting will receive a formal invitation letter prior to the meeting. It is likely, although not guaranteed, that the applications advertised in this AD&N Circular will be heard at either the 10<sup>th</sup> January or 14<sup>th</sup> February meetings provided that the RTALC has all the information that it needs (e.g. assurances from Planning).

Should you require information on the timetables for any upcoming meetings, please contact the RTALC office. If you intend to observe any meeting in public that you are not specifically invited to, it would be appreciated if you could inform RTALC staff of your intentions prior to the meeting. This information is required to ensure that there is sufficient space at the meeting to accommodate any observers. Should there not be sufficient space at Thie Slieau Whallian, a different venue for the meeting would have to be found and this could delay proceedings.

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