



GOODS VEHICLES APPLICATIONS, DECISIONS AND NOTICES

Notice Period

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

If you wish to view an application, please contact the RTALC Secretary at noel.capewell@gov.im.

Copies of all monthly newsletters are available on the RTALC website: www.gov.im/rtlc.

Within a period of twenty one days from the date of this publication, any person may write to the Committee making any objections or representations with respect to an application.

Written objections can be received by letter or email. They should include the name and address of the sender and include the reasons why the objection or representation is made. For the full procedure detailing the submission of objections please see the RTALC website.

RTALC Office

The RTALC 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.

NOTICES

OPERATING CENTRE LETTERS

The RTALC and the Planning Enforcement Section of DEFA ("Planning") have begun sending out letters to existing operators who have not yet obtained confirmation that their operating centre(s) comply with the Town and Country Planning Act 1999 ("the 1999 Act"). Under section 75(4)(b) of the Road Transport Regulations 2018 ("the Regulations"), existing operators were granted a grace period of five years to obtain such confirmation.

The period of grace expires on 31st December 2023 and the RTALC and Planning are aware that many operators have yet to demonstrate their compliance with the 1999 Act and the Regulations. To assist in this process, these operators will be offered an appointment at a meeting with RTALC and Planning officers at Murray House in Douglas.

It is envisaged that the meetings will take place once a month. It is important to recognise that on 1st January 2024, if an operating centre does not comply with the 1999 Act, that operator will not be legally permitted to operate any goods vehicles with a maximum laden weight of over 3,500kg. To do so would be an offence.

VEHICLE AND TRAILER 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 RTALC adopted an approach which allowed goods vehicle and trailer 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 was discontinued from **1st 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.

LIST OF REPRESENTATIVE BODIES

The Road Transport Regulations 2018 require the RTLC to publish in a Circular, from time to time, a list specifying the name and address of every Representative Body in accordance with Sections 11 and 26 of the Road Transport Act 2001.

This list of Representative Bodies has yet to be compiled for the goods vehicle trade.

The RTLC would like all Representative Bodies who wish to be included on the above list to send their names and addresses to the RTLC Secretary either by letter or email by **1st July 2023**.

APPLICATIONS

1. Homefire Isle of Man Limited

The applicant wishes to apply for a new Operator Registration and operate four goods vehicles.

The registered address and proposed operating centre is identified in the application as Balthane Industrial Estate, Ballasalla. The applicant already has planning approval for the operating centre.

Should the application be successful, this Operator Registration will replace the existing Operator Registration for Castletown Fuels Limited which will then be surrendered.

2. Geoff Cormode Ltd

The applicant wishes to vary the Operator Registration through the addition of three goods vehicles.

There are no new operating centres identified in the application.

The applicant currently has approval to operate five goods vehicles.

3. Red Scaffolding Limited

The applicant wishes to vary the Operator Registration through a change in registered address.

The registered address is identified in the application as Ballalough, Richmond Hill, Braddan. There are no new operating centres identified in the application.

The applicant currently has approval to operate four goods vehicles.

4. Richard Murphy t/a Vannin Contractors

The applicant wishes to apply for a new Operator Registration and operate one goods vehicle.

The proposed operating centre is identified in the application as Kellys Yard, Kirk Michael and the registered address is identified as 19 The Threshold, Jurby. The applicant has already obtained confirmation that the operating centre is compliant with the Town and Country Planning Act 1999.

Should the application be successful, this Operator Registration will replace the existing Operator Registration for Vannin Contractors which will then be surrendered.

DECISIONS

1. Department of Infrastructure

To vary an Operator Registration through a change of registered address and the addition of an operating centre.

The new registered address was identified in the application as Ellerslie Depot, Old Church Road, Crosby and the new operating centre was identified as Isle of Man Prison, St. Patrick's Close, Coast Road, Jurby.

The application was approved.

2. Jones Services Limited

To vary the Operator Registration through the addition of two goods vehicles.

The application was approved.

3. Legg Surfacing Limited

To vary the Operator Registration through the addition of two goods vehicles.

The application was approved.

4. Manx Utilities Authority

To vary the Operator Licence through the addition of an operating centre.

The new operating centre was identified in the application as Greenhill Data Centre, IoM Business Park, Braddan.

The application was approved.

5. Paul Carey & Sons Ltd

To vary the Operator Registration through the addition of two goods vehicles.

The application was approved.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meetings of the RTLC for goods vehicles which will be held in public are currently due to take place on 13th July and 1st August 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 one of the July meetings provided that the RTLC 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 RTLC 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 RTLC 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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