

Road Transport Licensing Committee

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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.

Copies of all monthly newsletters are available on the RTLC website: 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.

NOTICES

Road Transport (Fees) Order 2023

The above Order has now been approved by Tynwald. A copy will shortly be available in the "Downloadable Documents" section on front page of the RTLC website: www.gov.im/rtlc.

APPLICATIONS

1. Happy Days Nursery Limited – New Operator Registration

To register as a new operator under Part "A" of the Register of PPVs through the addition of the right to operate one Private Hire minibus.

The registered address / operating centre was identified in the application as 4 Cringle Close, Reayrt Mie, Ballasalla. An assurance from the Planning Section at the Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture ("Planning") will not be required.

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 RTAL is able to consider objections.

2. AL Sutton – Variation of Operator Registration and Section 29 Ply for Hire Service Licence ("S29 Licence")

To vary the operator registration and S29 licence of the applicant 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 RTAL has received notification from the current Operator Registration of J McCreddie of the intent to terminate that Registration's S29 licence provided that the application is approved by the RTAL.

The registered address / operating centre is identified in the application as 9 Lower Dukes Road, Douglas so an assurance from Planning has already been received.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Ply for Hire taxi in the East, North West and Malew Districts.

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 RTAL is able to consider objections.

3. S Hesketh, t/a Ronaldsway Taxi Services – Variation of Operator Registration and S29 Licence

To vary the operator registration and S29 licence of the applicant 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.

The RTAL has received notification from the current Operator Registration of LJ McMurdo of the intent to terminate a portion of that Registration's S29 licence provided that the application is approved by the RTAL.

The registered address is identified in the application as 39 Howe Road, Onchan.

The operating centre is identified in the application as 1 Thirlmere Avenue, Onchan. This is already an approved operating centre so an assurance from Planning will not be required.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one Ply for Hire taxi in the South and Malew Districts as well as one Private Hire minibus.

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 RTAL is able to consider objections.

4. MW Hegarty – New Operator Registration

To register as a new operator under Part "A" of the Register of PPVs through the addition of the right to operate one Private Hire car.

The registered address / operating centre was identified in the application as 20 Ballakermeen Road, Douglas.

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 RTAL is able to consider objections.

5. L Joyce – Variation of Operator Registration and S29 Licence

To vary the operator registration and S29 licence of the applicant through the addition of the right to operate one section 29 Ply for Hire vehicle of up to eight passenger seats in the South District and the Malew District.

The RTLC has received notification from the current Operator Registration of BS Hesketh of the intent to terminate that Registration’s S29 licence provided that the application is approved by the RTLC.

The registered address / operating centre is identified in the application as 24 Cronk View Crescent, Port Erin. This is already an approved operating centre so an assurance from Planning has already been received.

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.

DECISIONS

It should be noted that for applications 1 to 5, the following information is appropriate;

The Department of Infrastructure, trading as Bus Vannin (“Bus Vannin”) currently has approval to operate 90 buses and 90 minibuses using 10 Regular Service Licences (“RSLs”).

1. Bus Vannin – Application for a Section 25 Service Licence to Operate a Regular Service

To apply for a Section 25 Regular Service licence which would replace the existing one as follows;

Route or route limits – the predetermined route limits for this service will be north of the A3 road between Kirk Michael and the Ramsey town border, all of the town of Ramsey and Maughold parish. Any suitable road may be used.

Timetable – it will be a mixture of on demand responsive transport (“DRT”) and semi fixed (“Flex”) service of stage vehicles between:

ConnectVILLAGES Flex Service Departure Times		
Ramsey Bus Station	Jurby Bretney	Jurby Threshold
09:00	09:25	09:30
11:00	11:25	11:30
14:30	14:55	15:00
16:00 (NSch)	16:25 (NSch)	16:30 (NSch)
17:05 (Sch)	17:25 (Sch)	17:30 (Sch)
18:40 (Mon -Fri)	19:05 (Mon - Fri)	19:10 (Mon - Fri)

Each journey will be initiated in advance either by phone or by using the internet. Subsequent requests for travel by other individuals will either be directed to an existing journey or a new one will be set up depending on demand. In the event of a journey coming across a prospective passenger at a bus stop, the bus will pick that passenger up.

The intended hours of operation will be:

- Monday to Thursday – 08:40 to 19:00.
- Friday – 08:40 to 00:15 departing Ramsey (on arrival of large buses).
- Saturday – 06:30 to 00:15 departing Ramsey (on arrival of large buses).
- Sunday – 08:30 to 17:10 departing Ramsey.
- On Bank Holidays there will be journeys departing Ramsey at 07:30 and 18:10 to cater for shop staff.

Fare structure – fares charged will be in accordance with existing fare tables.

Class(es) of vehicle to be used – mostly minibuses (between 9 and 16 passenger seats) but occasionally buses (over 16 passenger seats). It is unlikely that any double-deck buses will be used.

No additional operating centres were identified in the application.

The application was approved.

2. Bus Vannin – Variation of RSL

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

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Willaston/Hailwood Avenue/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).
- Port Erin to Douglas and the TT Course (TT1 – TT only)
- 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, 30 minutes during the early evening 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;

- To operate the Mondays to Fridays service 11 departure from Port Erin as a service 1H (to Nobles Hospital) at 07:19 with subsequent intermediate times (as per Saturdays).

Why are the variations required?

- To provide an earlier direct journey from the South of the Island and Onchan to Nobles Hospital on Mondays to Fridays.

The application was approved.

3. Bus Vannin – Variation of RSL

RSL No. 02/09 – Services 22, 22H, 25, 25B and 25H.

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Nobles Hospital and Willaston/Birch Hill via Central Douglas & Bucks Road (22/22H) or via Victoria Road (25/25H).
- Schooldays journey between Central Douglas and Bemahague School via Victoria Road (25B).

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- To operate the Mondays to Saturdays 17:00 departure from Nobles Hospital as a service 25 and not a service 22.

Why is the variation required?

- To avoid duplication of journeys.

The application was approved.

4. Bus Vannin – Variation of RSL

RSL No. 02/10 – Services 44, 4B, 4N, 4R, 8, 8R, N8, 14, 14B, 15, 15B

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Douglas and Peel via Foxdale & Patrick (4, 4B).
- Infrequent Monday to Friday journeys between Douglas & Peel via Niarbyl (4N) and Douglas/Foxdale to Castletown (14) – including schoolday only journeys.
- Limited Monday to Friday journeys to Ballaughton Manor Hill and Cooil Road (14B).
- Limited Monday, Wednesday and Friday journeys to Groudle and King Edward Road (15).
- Limited Monday, Wednesday and Friday journeys to Ballabrooie (15B)
- Infrequent Summer Saturday and Sunday service between Peel and Castletown or Peel and Port Erin (4R, 8, 8R).
- Approximate hourly Summer Saturday and Sunday service between Port Erin and The Sound (28).
- Occasional journeys between Peel and Port Erin via St Johns & Foxdale (N8).

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- A change of provision on Monday to Friday service to Foxdale & Niarbyl.

Why are the variations required?

- To simply the timetable, with the provision of a direct daytime service from Peel to Niarbyl and a change in school hours at Queen Elizabeth II High School.

The application was approved.

5. Bus Vannin – Variation of RSL

RSL No. 02/13 – Services 5, 5A, 5C, 6, 6A, 6C, N5, and N6.

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

- Douglas and Ramsey via Crosby, St. John's, Peel, Kirk Michael and Ballaugh.

The service currently operates;

- Between Douglas and Peel approximately every 30 minutes during the day with alternate journeys providing an hourly service between Peel and Ramsey.

- Hourly between Douglas and Peel during the later evening with some journeys between Peel and Ramsey.
- Half hourly on Sundays between Douglas and Peel and every 2 hours between Peel and Ramsey during the day with infrequent journeys during the evening.
- Night Owl (N5) journeys only operate on Friday and Saturday nights.

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

- The operation of schoolday service 6C Ramsey to Douglas via Queen Elizabeth II High School 5 minutes earlier between Ramsey and Peel – to depart Ramsey at 07:50.
- The deletion of schoolday service 6A Ramsey departure at 15:10 and to operate daily as a service 5 (as current school holidays).
- The slight re-timing in the Peel area of the schooldays 15:10 service 6A from Peel to Douglas to call into Queen Elizabeth II High School.
- The slight re-timing of 15:07 Douglas to Ramsey service 5C schooldays journey to call into Queen Elizabeth II High School before serving the Peel Town Hall stop and to then operate via Poortown Road to Ballig Bridge (as other service 5C journeys).

Why are the variations required?

- Due to a change of hours at Queen Elizabeth II High School.

The application was approved.

6. L Joyce – Variation of Operator Registration and S29 Licence

To vary the operator registration and S29 licence of the applicant through the addition of the right to operate one section 29 Ply for Hire vehicle of up to eight passenger seats in the South District and the Malew District.

The RTLC has received notification from the current Operator Registration of BS Hesketh of the intent to terminate that Registration's S29 licence provided that the application is approved by the RTLC.

The applicant wished to combine the South District and Malew District with the East District that the applicant is currently permitted to operate onto one vehicle.

This would mean that the South, East and Malew Districts would all be included on the same Ply for Hire plate and the same vehicle being allowed to operate in all Districts. There would be no overall increase in the number of service licences in use.

No additional operating centres were identified in the application.

The registered address was identified in the application as 24 Cronk View Crescent, Port Erin.

The application was withdrawn.

RTLC MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meetings of the RTLC for public passenger vehicles which will be held in public are currently due to take place on 7th September, 19th September and 10th October at The Slieau Whallian, Foxdale Road, St John's.

The applications listed in this AD&N are likely to be heard at the 10th October as long as the RTLC has all of the information that it requires (e.g. assurances from Planning). All individuals that are required to attend a meeting will receive a formal invitation letter prior to the meeting.

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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