

# **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" or "the Committee") to publish details of applications, meetings and decisions.

If you wish to view an application, please contact the RTLC Secretary at <a href="mailto:noel.capewell@gov.im">noel.capewell@gov.im</a>.

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.

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**

# **OPERATORS WHO ARE LIMITED COMPANIES OR OWN/USE A BUSINESS NAME**

The RTLC has become aware that a number of Public Passenger Vehicle ("PPV") operators are either operating as a limited company or are using a business or trading name.

Any PPV operator who is doing this **MUST** use the limited company or the business name as part of their Operator Registration or Operator Licence as this is the name of the entity which is operating.

As a result, any PPV operators who are in this position will need to either submit new applications for an Operator Registration or submit applications to vary their existing Operator Registration by including the business name – for example "AN Other trading as (t/a) A Cab Company".

The RTLC is aware that this is a retrospective correction and, in an effort to ensure that Parts A and B of the Register of PPVs are correct, any applications received before **March 27**<sup>th</sup> will be processed without charge. Any applications received after this will be subject to the standard charge as detailed in the Road Transport (Fees) Order 2023.

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If you have any questions about this, including queries about whether you need to submit anything, please contact the Secretary at <a href="mailto:noel.capewell@gov.im">noel.capewell@gov.im</a>.

If you have any doubt about whether you need to do anything on this topic please email the above address as soon as possible.

# **APPLICATIONS**

It should be noted that for applications 1 to 7, 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").

The registered address of the operation is Transport Headquarters, Banks Circus, Douglas, IM1 5PT.

#### 1. 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 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;

- Extra late afternoon journeys to and from Nobles Hospital via Onchan & Promenades
- Mondays to Sundays evenings revised.
- Mondays to Fridays 05:27 journey from Watterson Lane to start at Lord Street (at 05:50 current time).
- Saturdays 20 minute daytime frequency commences 1 hour later.
- Sundays 20 minute daytime frequency commences 1 hour later.

Why are the variations required?

- Additional provision for Nobles Hospital and Tromode.
- To provide efficiencies.
- Over provision on weekday mornings before 06:00.

- Over provision on Saturday mornings when passenger numbers are lower than Mondays to Fridays.
- Over provision on Sunday mornings when passenger numbers are lower than Mondays to Saturdays.

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 – 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;

• Changes to the Lord Street to Willaston/Birch Hill/Victoria Road journeys between 17:00 and 18:00 including provision of an additional journey.

Why is the variation required?

• To provide and more regular service to Bucks Road and an additional direct journey to Willaston for commuters.

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## 3. 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;

- Operation of daytime Service 4b journeys direct between The Hope junction and Patrick Road.
- Intermediate stop re-timings in the Douglas area to all most journeys.

Why are the variations required?

- Operation via Main Road in St Johns has not generated any patronage to/from areas not covered by other services.
- To reflect operational experience.

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### 4. 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;

- Mondays to Sundays late afternoon/mid-evening journeys re-timed with additional journeys serving Oak Road in Peel instead of Peveril Road.
- On schooldays the deletion of Peel Promenade on the 14:37 Douglas to Peel journey and the slightly earlier departure (15:20) of the 15:23 Peel to Douglas journey.
- Deletion of Mondays to Fridays 17:46 Nobles Hospital to Douglas journey.

Why are the variations required?

- Change of passenger demographics in the Peel area.
- To provide a slightly earlier arrival/departure at Queen Elizabeth II High School.
- Journey replaced by changes to 02/09.

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# 5. <u>Bus Vannin – Application for a Variation of a Regular Service Licence</u>

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;

- Change of Mondays to Saturdays 16:40 Ramsey to Douglas journey to operate via Victoria Road instead of via Glencrutchery Road and St Ninians.
- Timing changes to evening Service X3 (Manx Express) journeys.

Why is the variation required?

- To provide an hourly service from Victoria Road to Douglas.
- Operational experience and regularisation of Bucks Road buses between 17:00 and 18:00.

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## 6. <u>Bus Vannin – Application for a Variation of a Regular Service Licence</u>

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;

- Retiming of Mondays to Sundays evening journeys.
- Later commencement of 30 minute headway on Saturday mornings.

Why is the variation required?

- To provide a more even provision of buses to and from Nobles Hospital in the evenings in conjunction with the Douglas to Peel service.
- Over provision on Saturday mornings when passenger numbers are lower than Mondays to Fridays.

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## 7. <u>Bus Vannin – Application for a Variation of a Regular Service Licence</u>

RSL No. 02/47 - Service 29.

A regular service of stage vehicles between;

• Douglas and Port Soderick via White Hoe on Schooldays only including the morning and evening via Douglas schools.

To operate the service by making the following amendments;

• To operate the morning journey 15 minutes later throughout the day.

Why is the variation required?

To arrive at the Douglas schools closer to start time.

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## 8. MI Cheetham – New Operator Registration

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

The registered address / operating centre of the operator has been identified in the application as Ballagarraghyn Cottages, Main Road, St Johns.

An assurance from Planning will not be required.

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## RTLC MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meetings of the RTLC which will be held in public are currently due to take place on 5<sup>th</sup> March, 26<sup>th</sup> March and 9<sup>th</sup> April at Thie Slieau Whallian, Foxdale Road, St John's.

The applications listed in this AD&N are likely to be heard at the 26<sup>th</sup> March meeting 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.

Noel Capewell Secretary, Road Transport Licensing Committee.

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