

## Mr S - v - Cardiff County Council

Appeal Details			
Case number: Vehicle: Representative: Number of PCNs:	QC00236-2409 N/A 1	Appeal Raised: Hearing: Decision: Adjudicator:	29/09/2024 There was no hearing 28/10/2024 Adjudicator Alderson
Decision - PCN QC75798471			
Mr See, you have lost this appeal.			
You need to pay the penalty charge to Cardiff County Council. Penalty Charge Amount: £70.00			
Issued: 24/07/2024 34 - Being in a bus lane		rention: 08/07/2024 20:11	Cathedral Road, Riverside

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## Adjudicator's Reasons

- 1. The Appellant is appealing a PCN issued in respect of being in a bus lane at the location.
- 2. The Enforcement Authority relies upon photographic capture of the incident, a copy of the PCN, a copy of the relevant legislation, map, driver's eye footage and correspondence.
- 3. The Appellant contends that he was unfamiliar with the location. He does not speak English, nor read it. He is not familiar with English traffic law, and it was his first visit to Cardiff. He contends that he is a student, with a child, and is of limited means.
- 4. I have carefully considered all the evidence in this matter.
- 5. The CCTV footage relied upon by the EA shows the vehicle driving along a Bus Lane, clearly delineated by a thick white line. There is also prominent carriageway marking denoting the restriction. The EA has also provided drivers' eye footage which shows prominent relevant signage to the left of the bus lane, along its length.
- 6. The circumstances described by the Appellant amount to mitigation only, and do not afford him a ground of appeal. It is incumbent upon motorists to observe and comply with the relevant restrictions. Lack of knowledge of the law/language cannot be relied upon and do not constitute a ground of appeal. I have no power to take into account the Appellant's personal circumstances.
- 7. I am satisfied to the requisite standard that a contravention has taken place and that no statutory ground of appeal has been established.
- 8. I must therefore refuse this appeal.

Adjudicator Alderson Adjudicator 28/10/2024