

LICENSING COMMITTEE
Thursday 17th July 2012

PRESENT – *Councillor J. Wright, (in the Chair), Councillors Gee, Liddle Pearson, D., Oldfield and Smith and Tapp.*

RESOLUTIONS

1 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received from Councillors Davies, Maxfield Whalley, Walsh and Khonat.

2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd February 2012.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 23rd February 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed.

3 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Minutes of the Licensing Act 2003 Sub- Committee.

The Committee received the proceedings of the Licensing Act 2003 meetings held on 24th April, 15th May and 15th May 2012.

RESOLVED-That the minutes of the meetings held on 24th April and 16th May 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the chair.

**5 Review of Private hire and Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licenses
Terms and conditions**

The Committee received a report informing them of the results of a recent consultation in relation to the Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licenses terms and conditions. The committee discussed the possible implications of the licensing of older vehicles which were maintained to high standards and how this could be managed with extra checks should a vehicle fail to meet the required standard. Discussion also took place on the colour of the Hackney carriages licensed by the authority and this would be added to the consultation.

RESOLVED- That the report be noted and that the Executive Member for
for
Regeneration be informed that this committee would wish to

6 Consultation of Gambling Act 2005- Revision of Statement Of Policy.

The Committee received a report informing members of the current

consultation being undertaken of the revision of the Gambling Act 2005 statement of Policy.

RESOLVED- That the committee note the policy and that Changes set out in appendix two to the report be approved.

7. Consultation on Taxi Law Reform

The Committee received a report informing members of the current Consultation on Taxi Reform being undertaken by the law Commission. The committee were informed of the possible implications of the reform and that AGMA/ Lancashire CC were drafting a response and should members wish they could feed in to this process and add any additional contents that they wished.

RESOLVED-

1. That the draft response of AGMA/Lancashire County Council be forwarded to members for consideration and any further comments that members may wish to add and
2. That the Director of Environment, Housing and Neighbourhoods in consultation with the Chair of the committee be authorised to respond to the consultation based on the response from AGMA/Lancashire County Council and the comments received from Members of the committee.

7 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED - That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

8 Minutes of the General Licensing Sub Committees

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meetings of the General Licensing Sub Committees held on 14th February 2012, 6th March 2012, 13th March 2012, 17th April 2012, 19th April 2012, 19th June 2012 and 2nd July 2012 be approved.

Signed.....

Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were signed

Date.....