LICENSING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 18th November 2014

PRESENT: Councillor Wright (in the Chair), Councillors Ali, Brookfield Casey, Davies, Gee, Humphrys, I Hussain and Mulla.

RESOLUTIONS

1 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed those present to the meeting and apologies were received from Councillors McKinley, S, Hussain, and H Khonat.

2 Minutes of the meetings held on 15th July 2014

Resolved - That the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th July 2014 to be received and signed as a correct record subject to the addition of Councillor Mulla in the list of those members who had submitted apologies.

3 Declarations of Interest in items on this agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

4 <u>Statement of Policy and Guidelines Relating to the Granting of Taxi</u> and Private Hire Licenses.

A report was submitted to inform Members of the current consultation being undertaken to review the Councils Statement of Policy and guidelines relating to the relevance of convictions, formal/simple cautions, complaints and other matters which may impact on the granting of licences.

In November 2009, Blackburn with Darwen in conjunction with all Greater Manchester Authorities introduced an AGMA wide document to provide guidance to any person with an interest in public and private hire, in particular Members and Officers and applicants. The document has now been reviewed and revised by the AGMA group for presenting to the relevant committees or panels for approval. The purpose of producing an AGMA wide document (Blackburn with Darwen is a family member of the group) is to provide transparency and consistency across the region, in accordance with the principles of good enforcement and relevant Regulatory Compliance codes.

Resolved -

That Members note the Statement of Policy and Guidelines relating to the Granting of Taxi and Private Hire Licences be supported.

Exclusion of Press and Public

It was 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.

6 Minutes of the Licensing Sub Committees

a. General Licensing Sub Committee 15th April 2014

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 15th April 2014 be approved

b. <u>General Licensing Sub Committee 1st July 2014</u>

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 15th April 2014 be approved

c. General Licensing Sub Committee 22nd July 2014

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 15th April 2014 be approved

d. General Licensing Sub Committee 31st July 2014

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 31st July 2014 be approved.

e. General Licensing Sub Committee 19th August 2014

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 19th August 2014 be approved.

f. General Licensing Sub Committee 21st October 2014

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 21st October 2014 be approved.

g. General Licensing Sub Committee 28th October 2014.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 28th October 2014 be approved.

h. Licensing Act 2003, Sub Committee 2nd September 2014. Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 2014 be approved.

Signed.....

Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were signed

Date.....