

LICENSING COMMITTEE
Tuesday 6th December 2016

PRESENT – *Councillor John Wright, (in the Chair) Fazal, Casey, Gee, Pearson, Davies, Hussain, I., Hussain, S and Brookfield.*

RESOLUTIONS

1. Welcome and Apologies

The chair welcomed members to the meeting and received apologies from Councillors Ali, Humphrys and McFall.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th September 2016

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th September 2016 were submitted.

RESOLVED- That the minutes of the meeting held on 19th September 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed as a correct record

4. Update on the work of the Public Protection and Environmental Health Service.

Members considered a report of the Director of Environment and Leisure informing Members of the work of the Public Protection and Environmental Health Service.

RESOLVED - That the report be noted

5. Minutes of the Licensing Act Sub Committee, 1st November 2016.

RESOLVED- that the Minutes of the Licensing Act Sub Committee held on 1st November 2016 be approved as a correct record.

4. Taxi Licensing Policy.

The Committee considered a report seeking members' views for the approval to formally consult on a proposed Taxi Licensing Policy, and an adequate time frame for the duration of the consultation. The Committee were informed that there is no statutory requirement for local authorities to set hackney carriage and private hire policies. Local authorities were however entitled to adopt such policies as they are integral parts of the decision making process. A policy guides, but does not bind a local authority.

RESOLVED-

- 1) That the report be noted and the Taxi Licensing policy be approved; and
- 2) That further discussions take place with trade representatives on the issue of previous convictions and how these will be taken into consideration when considering applications in the future and the outcome be reported to the next meeting of the committee.

5. Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item in view of the fact that the business to be transacted was exempt by virtue of Paragraph 3 contained in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

6. Minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committees

The Sub-Committee received the proceeding of the following Sub Committees-

General Licensing Sub-Committee, 19th September 2016

General Licensing Sub-Committee, 18th October 2016

General Licensing Sub-Committee, 22nd November 2016

RESOLVED - that the proceedings of the Sub Committees as outlined above be approved.

Signed.....

Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were signed

Date.....