

LICENSING AND REGULATION COMMITTEE**10 October 2013****Attendance:**

Councillors:

Mather (Chairman) (P)

Bodtger (P)

Green (P)

Lipscomb

Phillips

Southgate (P)

Wright (P)

Izard (P)

Johnston (P)

Laming (P)

Mason (P)

Newman-McKie (P)

Prowse (P)

Deputy Members

Councillor Verney (Standing Deputy for Councillor Phillips)

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were given for Councillors Lipscomb and Phillips.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

It was agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee, held on 13 June 2013, be approved and adopted.

3. UPDATE TO REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY WITH RESPECT TO HACKNEY AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES, DRIVERS AND PRIVATE HIRE OPERATORS

(Report LR421 refers)

In reply to Members' questions, the Head of Licensing explained that it was a licence condition that defined medical conditions should be notified to the licensing authority. The Licensing Authority could refer the driver for a separate medical examination at the driver's expense if it was thought necessary.

Drivers were not separately reminded of the need to report medical conditions, but it was one of the conditions of the annual licence renewal. Where the authority became aware of a driver with a suspected medical condition that had not been self declared it could request a medical examination.

RESOLVED:

1. That having taken into consideration the comments made following the consultation period to review the Statement of Licensing Policy with respect to Hackney and Private Hire Vehicles, Drivers and Private Hire Operators, the changes suggested to Medical Fitness (paragraph 8.9 f relating to Diabetes Mellitus and subsequent amendments to text refers as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report) be supported.
2. That the Head of Licensing be given delegated authority to amend the Statement of Licensing Policy with respect to Hackney and Private Hire Vehicles, Drivers and Private Hire Operators accordingly, and implement any changes with immediate effect.

4. **REVIEW OF LICENSING POLICY 2014**

(Report LR422 refers)

After discussion, the Committee agreed that the Special Saturation Policy be deleted from the policy.

RECOMMENDED:

THAT THE COUNCIL'S STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY, AS AMENDED ABOVE, BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

5. **MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD 20 JUNE 2013
(LESS EXEMPT MINUTE)**

(Report LR423 refers)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee held 20 June 2013 (less exempt appendix A) be approved and adopted.

6. **MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE HELD 12 AUGUST 2013**

(Report LR424 refers)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee held 12 August 2013 be approved and adopted.

7. **MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE HELD 28 AUGUST 2013**

(Report LR425 refers)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee held 28 August 2013 be approved and adopted.

8. **EXEMPT MINUTES**

1. That in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

2. That the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business because it is likely that, if members of the public were present, there would be disclosure to them of 'exempt information' as defined by Section 100I and Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

<u>Minute Number</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Description of Exempt Information</u>
) Information relating to any individual. (Para 1 Schedule 12A refers)
) Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual (Para 2 Schedule 12A refers)
##	Exempt minute of the Licensing Sub - Committees held 20 June 2013) Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) Para 3 Schedule 12A refers)

9. **EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE HELD 20 JUNE 2013**

(Report LR423 refers)

RESOLVED:

That the exempt minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee held 20 June 2013 be approved and adopted.

The meeting commenced at 6.30pm and concluded at 6.50pm

Chairman