DECISIONS OF THIS COMMITTEE CANNOT BE CALLED IN

LICENSING COMMITTEE - 8th November 2017



DECISION LIST

Item No.	Report	Item	ISSUE	DECISION	ACTION BY
5.		Taxi Licensing Policy – Consideration of Comments	To consider comments submitted during the Taxi Licensing Policy consultation period.	It was resolved: That the new taxi licensing policy takes effect from 1 st January 2018, to include the proposals, as amended, from sections 4.1.1 to 4.1.13 from the report. [See Notes below]	Stewart Broome Senior Licensing Officer

Proposals, as amended, from the Report

4.1.1 Safeguarding Training

To introduce safeguarding training

- 1.5.3 All existing licence holders will be required to attend safeguarding training sessions run by the Licensing Authority by 31 December 2018, and all new licence holders will be required to complete safeguarding training within the first six months of holding a licence, or provide proof that safeguarding training has been undertaken in the past twelve months with a provider appearing on the Council's approved list. Failure to comply with these requirements will be grounds for the suspension of the licence until such time as the licence holder completes the training.
- 1.5.4 The Council reserves the right to send licence holders on refresher training, should they consider it necessary.
- 3.17.1 Existing wording replaced with the same wording as 1.5.3 above.

Section 3.17.2 added to the policy with the same wording as 1.5.4 above.

4.11.1 Existing wording replaced with the same wording as 1.5.3 above.

Section 4.11.2 added to the policy with the same wording as 1.5.4 above

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4.1.2 Code of Conduct

To update the driver's code of conduct provisions

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.

4.1.3 Dress Code

To update the driver's dress code provisions

Proposal to be adopted, subject to the Private Hire Executive Exempted Vehicle Drivers section being amended to the following:

Drivers shall wear professional business attire with formal shoes at all times.

Discrete company logos shall be permitted

4.1.4 Driver Medicals

To amend the driver's medical frequency

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.

4.1.5 DBS Update Service

To make DBS update service subscription mandatory

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.

4.1.6 Vehicle Testing Frequency

To amend the testing frequency of licensed vehicles

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.

4.1.7 Hackney Livery (Single Colour Scheme)

To introduce a one colour scheme for hackney carriages

That this issue is not pursued further.

4.1.8 Hackney Carriage Door Stickers

To remove the requirement to display hackney carriage door stickers if a one colour scheme was introduced

That the requirement for door stickers continues.

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4.1.9 Non-Standard and Novelty Vehicles

To introduced specific conditions covering non-standard and novelty vehicles

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.

4.1.10 Executive Vehicles

To introduce an objective framework to aid decisions where a licence holder requests a section 75(3) exemption

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.

4.1.11 Vehicle Standards of Appearance

To update the current standards of appearance of a licensed vehicle

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.

4.1.12 Relevance of Convictions

To separate and update the relevance of convictions section

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.

4.1.13 Penalty Point Scheme

To introduce a penalty point scheme

Officer recommendation is that the proposal should be adopted without amendment.