

## <u>LICENSING COMMITTEE – 9 OCTOBER 2013</u> <u>DECISION LIST</u>

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM NO.	REPORT REF.	ITEM	ISSUE	DECISION	ACTION BY
1.	-	Apologies for Absence	-	Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Alderson and Read. However, Cllr Read arrived at the meeting during minute no. 12 - Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 Hackney Carriage Fares Increase Proposals.	-
2.	-	Declarations of Interest	To receive declarations of Interest from Members in respect of any items on the Agenda in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct.	There were no interests declared.	-
3.	-	Minutes of 10 July 2013	To receive and confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on 10 July 2013.	It was resolved: That the Minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on 10 July 2013 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.	-
4.	-	Chairman's Announcements	Announcement of items of interest.	At a recent Hackney Carriage and Private Hire meeting it had been suggested that the Chairman of the Licensing Committee accompany the taxi trade one evening at a peak time. The Chairman explained that he, along with the Licensing Officer (Enforcement) and the Principal Environmental Health Officer had visited Ely last Friday night from 10pm – midnight.	-

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				The Chairman stated that they had visited both taxi ranks in the city centre as well as the rank at the station and that he had thoroughly enjoyed the visit which he wished to repeat at some point in the future.	
				The Chairman wished that it be minuted that during the visit on Friday night he had been very impressed with the work of the Licensing Officer (Enforcement), her professionalism and how much she was respected by the drivers. The Chairman congratulated the Licensing Officer (Enforcement).	
5.	N117	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 Hackney Carriage Fares Increase Proposals	To consider objections received under Section 65 of Part II of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 regarding the revised hackney carriage table of fares proposed by Members of the Council's Licensing Committee on 10 July 2013.	It was resolved:  That the Licensing Committee considered the objections and agrees the following variations to the Hackney Carriage table of fares. The complete Hackney Carriage table of fares, including the variations, is attached as an appendix to this decision list:	Lin Bagwell
				<ul> <li>Every mile thereafter (approx. 1.6093 kilometres) listed in all Rates (1 – 4) be removed from the Hackney Carriage table of fares.</li> </ul>	
				<ul> <li>Rate 4 - For each subsequent tenth of mile (approx. 0.16093 kilometres) or uncompleted part thereof be increased from 20p to 35p.</li> </ul>	

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				<ul> <li>Waiting Time - listed for all Rates (1 –</li> <li>4) be amended as follows:</li> </ul>	
				For each period of <b>one</b> three minutes or uncompleted part thereafter <b>40p</b>	
				The revised Hackney Carriage table of fares to come into force on 00.01 (1 minute past midnight) on 1 November 2013.	
6.	N118	Dealers Act 2013	For Members to note the report which highlights the new licensing regime under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 and to agree the proposed fee structure, prior to consultation.	It was resolved:	
				That the Licensing Committee:	Karen See
				i. Approve the level of fees for the new licensing regime under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 outlined in paragraph 3.10 of the officer's report.	
				ii. Agree to public consultation on the level of fees. If objections are received a report will be brought back to Licensing Committee for consideration.	
				It was resolved to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL:	
				iii. That the Licensing Committee authorise the Monitoring Officer to include any contested hearings/ revocations under paragraph 3.1 of the Licensing Committee's Terms of Reference, as a Sub-Committee hearing matter.	Jeanette Thompson

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7.	N119	Review of Licensing Sub- Committee Hearings Procedure and Site Visit Procedure/ Review of Public Speaking at Licensing Committee Meetings	<ul> <li>i. To consider and approve the revised Hearings Procedure for Licensing Sub-Committee Hearings.</li> <li>ii. To consider and approve the site visit guidance for Licensing Sub-Committee meetings.</li> <li>iii. To consider and approve the 'Public Speaking at Licensing Committee' leaflet.</li> </ul>	It was resolved:  That the Licensing Committee approve:  i. the revised Hearings Procedure for Licensing Sub-Committee meetings, set out in Appendix 1 of the report;  ii. the site visit guidance for Licensing Sub-Committee meetings, set out in Appendix 2 of the report; and  iii. the updated 'Public Speaking at Licensing Committee' leaflet, set out in Appendix 3 of the report.	Jeanette Thompson
8.	N120	Publication of Information after Sub-Committee Hearings	To consider the extent of information that can be published openly and notified as a result of a Licensing Sub-Committee hearing.	It was resolved:  That the Licensing Committee instructs the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to format wording for consultation with the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Trade to inform them that following future Taxi Licensing Sub-Committee Hearings involving disciplinary matters only, where the Sub-Committee resolves to take action, that the Licensee name will be openly published with the disciplinary action. The Head of Legal and Democratic Services should do so having consulted the Licensing Committee Members by email on the proposed consultation wording.	Jeanette Thompson/ Elizabeth Bailey
9.	-	Forward Agenda Plan	For the Licensing Committee to review the Licensing Committee forward agenda plan.	It was resolved: That the Licensing Committee forward agenda plan be noted.	Liz Knox

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FARES FOR DISTANCE			
(A) RATE 1		(D) RATE 4 For hiring on Christmas Day	
For the first mile (approx. 1.6093 kilometres)	£3.50	For the first mile (approx. 1.6093 kilometres)	£6.00
For each subsequent tenth of mile (approx. 0.16093 kilometres) or uncompleted part thereof	20p	For each subsequent tenth of mile (approx. 0.16093 kilometres) or uncompleted part thereof	35p
Waiting Time For each period of one minute	40p	Waiting Time For each period of one minute	40p
(B) RATE 2 For hiring begun between 19.00 and 07:00 from Monday evening Saturday morning inclusive For hiring begun between 13:00 on a Saturday until 07:00 on a l	_	(E) SUNDRY ITEMS	05
For the first mile (approx. 1.6093 kilometres)	£4.00	For each article of luggage carried outside the passenger compartment of the carriage	25p
For each subsequent tenth of mile (approx. 0.16093 kilometres) or uncompleted part thereof	20p	For each passenger in excess of one (two children under 12 year old shall count as one person and children under the age of three shall not be counted). No charge shall be made where a person in	1
Waiting Time For each period of one minute  (C) RATE 3	40p	carried whose illness or physical incapacity requires that he or sh must be accompanied at all times when away from his or her plac of residence.	
(C) RATE 3 For hiring on public or Bank Holidays		Where the hirer arranges by letter, telephone or otherwise with the proprietor or driver prior to commencement of hiring, for hire of the	
For the first mile (approx. 1.6093 kilometres)	£5.50	carriage to commence from a stated place other than a hackney carriage stand.	50p
For each subsequent tenth of mile (approx. 0.16093 kilometres) or uncompleted part thereof	20p	Soiling the interior of the vehicle  Not to exce	•
Waiting Time For each period of one minute	40p	Conveyance of bicycles or trunks where they have to be carried	£1.00
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