



**LICENSING COMMITTEE – 14 SEPTEMBER 2011**  
**DECISION LIST**

<b>AGENDA ITEM NO.</b>	<b>REPORT REF.</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>ISSUE</b>	<b>DECISION</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>
1.	-	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	-	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Austen and Harris.	-
2.	-	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>	To receive declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interests from Members in respect of any items on the Agenda in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct.	<p>Cllr Hunt declared a personal interest on any taxi related discussion as he was a non-executive director of a garage group that supplied vehicles to the taxi trade, although he noted that there were no customers within East Cambridgeshire.</p> <p>Cllr Wright declared a personal interest as he used taxis.</p> <p>Cllr Allan declared a personal interest as he also occasionally used taxis.</p>	-
3.	-	<b>Minutes of 13 July 2011</b>	To receive and confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on 13 July 2011.	<p>It was resolved:</p> <p>That the amended Minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting, as tabled at the meeting, held on 13 July 2011 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>	LK/EB
4.	-	<b>Chairman's Announcements</b>	Announcement of items of interest	<p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ In April 2011 the Taxi Licensing Sub-Committee had resolved to revoke the</li> </ul>	-

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				<p>Joint Hackney Carriage and Private Driver Licence of a Burwell taxi driver. The driver appealed against this decision to Cambridge Magistrates' Court and on 23 August 2011 the Magistrates upheld the decision of the Council to revoke the licence and ordered him to pay costs of £6427.04. The Chairman congratulated officers and thanked them for all of their hard work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Members will recall that the Licensing Committee resolved that the inspection and enforcement of cafe tables and chairs on pavements, and the issuing of permits authorising such activities should remain a County Council Highways function rather than it being transferred to East Cambridgeshire District Council. Members also recommended that a voluntary code of practice be devised between County Council Highways, the City of Ely Council and other relevant Parish Councils regarding standards for tables and chairs on the pavements.</li> </ul> <p>A meeting was recently held between the County Council Highways and the City of Ely Council to further this resolution, as there has been some uncertainty over whether it is possible for responsibilities to be delegated out</p>	

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				<p>by County Highways. It is likely that County Highways will retain the enforcement provision of tables and chairs on pavements, and that the City of Ely Council (and where relevant, Parish Councils) would inspect and report any issues to County Highways for follow up.</p> <p>A draft policy and procedure will form part of a consultation process on the proposed pavement permit scheme and is likely to be circulated shortly for comment to relevant bodies.</p>	
5.	L115	<b>Specification for Council Approved Hackney Carriage Roof Signs</b>	For Members to decide on the 'Council Approved' hackney carriage roof sign	<p>It was resolved:</p> <p>i. That the Licensing Committee delegate finalising the defined standard regarding the 'Council Approved' Hackney Carriage Roof Sign to the Head of Environmental Services, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Licensing Committee, incorporating the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ That the word 'TAXI' be in the font Helvetica Bold and of font size 65mm;</li> <li>▪ That the East Cambridgeshire District Council crest be located either end of the roof sign in blue. However, should the cost of a blue</li> </ul>	Liz Knox/ Elizabeth Bailey

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				<p>crest be too prohibitive then the crest should be black.</p> <p>ii. That Hackney Carriage Vehicles with an in-built roof sign be exempt from having to additionally display the Council Approved roof sign.</p>	
6.	L116	<b>Proposed Method for Obtaining Council Approved Hackney Carriage Roof Signs</b>	To consider the options available for Hackney Carriage proprietors to obtain a Council Approved roof sign for their licensed hackney carriage vehicles.	<p>It was resolved:</p> <p>That the Licensing Committee agree that existing and new hackney carriage vehicle proprietors may be provided with a list of suggested suppliers from which to purchase the Council Approved hackney carriage roof sign direct.</p>	Elizabeth Bailey
7.	L117	<b>Review of Street Trading in East Cambridgeshire</b>	To review the current street trading provision within East Cambridgeshire and to outline proposals for a street trading review.	<p>It was resolved:</p> <p>That the Licensing Committee:</p> <p>i. Agree that a review of the current street trading provision is carried out; and</p> <p>ii. That a draft street trading policy is prepared, incorporating a proposed change to consent street trading licences only, and brought back to Licensing Committee for approval before full consultation is undertaken, taking into account Member comments as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ That the street trading policy should not adversely affect any of</li> </ul>	Elizabeth Bailey

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				<p>the markets;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ That the officer resource implications to manage a potential increase in applications be carefully considered.</li> </ul> <p>iii. Once consultation has taken place, officers are to report back to the Licensing Committee on the outcome of the consultation, with a request to incorporate any proposed changes to the policy as a result of the consultation (if any), together with a request that the Licensing Committee recommend the policy to Full Council for adoption.</p>	
8.	L118	<b>Approval of the Zoo Licensing Policy</b>	That Members approve the proposed East Cambridgeshire District Council's Zoo Licensing Policy following a twelve-week consultation with relevant stakeholders and members of the general public.	It was resolved: That the Licensing Committee approve the Zoo Licensing Policy to come into force on 15 September 2011.	Lin Bagwell
9.	-	<b>Forward Agenda Plan</b>	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