



LICENSING COMMITTEE

Meeting: Thursday, 3 December 2015 at 5 pm in the Board Room, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton

Present: Councillor Perkins (Chairman)

Councillors Barrow (substitute for R McKeown), Dowson, Jenner, Sizeland, Stone and Young.

Councillor Kemp was also in attendance.

A Patterson Principal Environmental Health Officer, Regulatory Services
P Jackson Senior Licensing Officer
H Gale Member Services Officer

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Johnson, Kerr, B McKeown and Pritchard.

16/07 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
(Agenda Item 2)

Councillor Young declared an 'other' interest in agenda item 7 Grant of additional disabled hackney carriage licences (reason: know the applicant as lives within ward and spoken to him on how to get in touch with the Licensing Officer to progress his application).

16/08 MINUTES
(Agenda Item 3)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 25 June 2015 be approved as a correct record.

16/09 DEREGULATION ACT 2015
(Agenda Item 4)

The provisions of the Deregulation Act 2015 that relate to Licensing regulation were discussed. The proposed fee of £315 for a 5 yearly private hire operators licence and the need for accurate costings if challenged were discussed. Late night refreshment and exemptions were also considered.

RESOLVED:

1. That the contents of the report, including the provisions of the Deregulation Act that relate to Licensing regulation be noted.



2. That Council be recommended to approve the proposed fee for issuing a five year Private Hire Operator licence, detailed in Appendix B to the report, subject to the statutory consultation process.
3. That Council be recommended to amend the proposed fee for issuing a five year Private Hire Operator licence as deemed appropriate.

16/10 LICENSING ACT 2003 – REVISED STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY 2016 – 2021
(Agenda Item 5)

Consideration was given to ensuring that the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 are met by the authority and to assist in the efficient and effective discharge of related licensing functions. Revisions as necessary were also discussed.

RESOLVED:

That Council be recommended to approve the revised Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 – 2021, attached as Appendix A to the report, as the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 – 2021 in line with the statutory requirements.

16/11 GAMBLING ACT 2005 – REVISED STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES 2016 – 2018
(Agenda Item 6)

There was a report ensuring that the Council complies with its legal obligations as required by the Gambling Act 2005 and consults and publishes a revised Statement of Principles in respect of the requirement of the Act. Individual discussions would take place with travelling circuses.

RESOLVED:

That Council be recommended to approve the revised Statement of Principles, attached as Appendix A to the report.

16/12 GRANT OF ADDITIONAL DISABLED ACCESS HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENCES
(Agenda Item 7)

Discussion took place on the application for a disabled access hackney carriage licence and increasing the disabled/wheelchair accessible licensed vehicles available to the local community within High Peak. Increasing the visible presence and availability of disabled/wheelchair accessible hackney carriage licensed vehicles across the borough and the rise in demand were also discussed.

RESOLVED:



1. That, having considered all the information, Mr Dodds be granted a Disabled Access Hackney Carriage Licence with conditions.
2. That having considered all the information a further five licences be made available and the delegation and issue for these five licences be granted to the Operations Manager Environmental Services, subject to their availability being advertised and balloted.

The meeting concluded at 5.46 pm.

CHAIRMAN