

MINUTES OF LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

3 JULY 2018

PRESENT:

Councillors Cade (Chairman), Mrs Avis, Bearne (substitute for Councillor Mrs Bragg), Brader, Miss Dumbleton, Keeling, Miss Lawrence (substitute for Councillor Ms Watson-Merret), Picker, Poole (substitute for Councillor Mrs Garcia), Mrs Roberts and Mrs Roodhouse

4. MINUTES

The minutes of the following meetings were approved and signed by the Chairman:

Licensing and Safety Committee 21 March 2018 and 17 May 2018; and Licensing Sub-Committee (General) 15 May 2018.

5. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received from Councillors Mrs Bragg, Mrs Garcia and Ms Watson-Merret.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

7. REVIEW OF THE POLICY FOR LICENSING OF MULTI-PURPOSE VEHICLES (MPVS) AS LICENSED HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Environment and Public Realm (Part 1 - agenda item 4) concerning the updated specification for the licensing of MPV's.

The Council's Taxi Licensing Policy (2009) sets out the local standards and requirements in respect of vehicle licensing, and the MPV specification forms part of that Policy.

The current MPV specification was in need of revising and updating to reflect the current market and to consolidate recent decisions made by the Committee to licence a number of different MPV's.

The changes would not affect the current policy of not permitting small MPV's. A full review of the Council's Taxi Licensing Policy would take place once the new Principal Licensing Officer was in post.

RESOLVED THAT – the updated specification for the licensing of MPV's, as detailed at appendix 2 to the report, be approved.

CHAIRMAN