

LICENSING COMMITTEE
2 November 2023

Present: Councillor A Holmes (Chair)
Councillors: Chambers, Kaur, J Khan, Kozlowski, Lakin, Lindsey,
Rawson, Sandhu, Wilson and J Wright

In Attendance: Syma Ahktar – Solicitor
Charlie Edwards – Head of Community Safety

08/23 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Evans and Smale

09/23 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

10/23 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

11/23 Minutes of the Meetings held on 29 June 2023

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.

12/23 CCTV in Taxi and Private Hire Vehicles

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Communities. The Head of Community Safety presented the report which was asking members of the Licensing Committee to consider if there was a necessity to hold a full consultation on whether there was a need for CCTVs to be installed in taxi and private hire vehicles.

The Committee were informed that some Councils already had a mandatory stipulation that CCTV was fitted in taxis and private hire vehicles and that this appetite was increasing.

It was confirmed that the consultation would be open for 12 weeks in the form of an online multi-choice questionnaire and would be open to the public, partners, stakeholders and trade. The results would be brought back to a future meeting of the Licensing Committee.

It was acknowledged that there had been a consultation on this matter fairly recently but, at that time, there had been no evidence to suggest that there was a local need for Derby Taxi and Private Hire vehicles to be fitted with CCTV. It was now felt that it would be the right time to go out to consultation again and reach out to a wider audience this time, such as support groups and people outside of the Derby City Boundary, such as neighboring Police authorities.

Resolved to:

- **instruct officers carry out a 12 week consultation on the installation of CCTV in taxi & private hire vehicles to identify whether a local need exists.**
- **delegate authority to analyse the responses of the consultation to the Head of Community Safety and Localities and the Service Manager for Licensing**
- **the Head of Community Safety and Localities and the Service Manager for Licensing present a report with recommendation to a future Committee upon completion of the exercise.**

13/23 Street Trading review

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Communities. The Head of Community Safety presented the report asking the Committee to consider the proposal to review the existing Street Trading Consent Policy following its commencement in April 2023. Since the implementation of this policy it had become that there was a need for further consultation to be undertaken.

Resolved to:

- **approve the proposed Street Trading Policy (which was attached to the report as Appendix 1) be released for a 12 week consultation.**
- **That the Committee delegate authority to make minor changes to the policy, following any responses to the consultation to the Head of Community Safety and Localities and the Service Manager for Licensing in consultation with the Chair of Committee with any minor changes being provided as an update to members at the next available sitting.**
- **Accept that any major changes required remain the responsibility of the Licensing Committee and will need to be brought to a future Licensing Committee meeting for consideration.**

MINUTES END