

TAXI LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

4 OCTOBER 2012

Present: Councillor Jackson (in the Chair)
Councillors Atwal, Barker, Harwood, Keith, J Khan, MacDonald, Pegg, Poulter, Redfern, Sandhu, Skelton, L Winter Whitby

14/12 Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor F Winter.

15/12 Late Items to be introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

16/12 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

17/12 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 August 2012 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

18/12 Hackney Carriage Vehicle Numbers and Rank Provision

The Committee considered a report which stated that a number of requests had been received from hackney carriage drivers and trade association representatives asking the Council to consider restricting the number of hackney carriage vehicle licenses issued within the City.

Resolved

- 1. To note the information set out in the report about restricting the number of hackney carriage licences issued within the City, the need to undertake an unmet demand survey if necessary and the provision of hackney carriage rank space.**
- 2. To request the administration to cover the cost of an unmet demand survey after the budget for 2013/14 had been set.**
- 3. To defer consideration of the merit of a numbers restriction until after the outcome of the rank review and having obtained the administrations response to the request detailed in (2) above.**

19/12 Hackney Carriage Single Colour Policy

The Committee considered a report which stated that a request had been received from a hackney carriage trade association for the Committee to relax the requirement for all hackney carriages in Derby to be the colour yellow.

Resolved

- 1. To maintain the current arrangement relating to a single colour policy for all hackney carriages licensed by the authority to be in a specified colour (AA yellow).**
- 2. To refuse the request to relax the requirement for all hackney carriages in Derby to be the colour yellow.**

20/12 Advertising Update

The Committee considered a report which stated that following agreement at the last meeting to allow advertising on private hire door signs and to amend the existing private hire vehicle condition 11 and the existing hackney carriage advertising policy, a six week consultation process was proposed.

In order to ensure the agreed proposals could be implemented as soon as possible, agreement was now being sought to delegate the power to consider any comments received as part of the consultation process to the Strategic Director of Neighbourhoods in consultation with the Chair and report back to the meeting of this Committee in December 2012.

Resolved

- 1. To approve the consultation process set out in the report.**
- 2. To delegate the consideration of any comments received to the Strategic Director of Neighbourhoods in consultation with the Chair.**

MINUTES END