

Time commenced : 6.00pm  
Time finished : 7.00pm

**LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE**  
**29 September 2003**

Present: Councillor Skelton (in the Chair)  
Councillors Bolton, Brown, H S Dhamrait, Hird, J Hickson,  
F Hussain, Jackman, Jackson, Jones, MacDonald, Redfern,  
Rehman, and Samra

**18/03 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

**19/03 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair**

There were no late items.

**20/03 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**21/03 Exclusion of Press and Public**

A resolution was passed under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

**22/03 Hackney Carriage Meter Checks**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Corporate Services, which updated the Committee on the recent Hackney Carriage tariff change.

**Resolved**

- **To request the Director of Corporate Services to commence discussions with Hackney Carriage Trade representatives with a view to preparing a new simplified Hackney Carriage tariff, testable over a measured mile, for implementation by April 2004.**
- **To re-introduce the procedure of driven meter tests for all licensed Hackney Carriages following the introduction of new tariff.**

- **To retain the existing meter test procedure for all private hire vehicles.**
- **To require all Hackney Carriages which were not subject to the recent sample meter test to undergo a full meter test at a specified testing station by the end of November 2003.**

MINUTES END