



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

TAXI LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE 11 July 2007

Report of the Interim Director of Environmental Services

Revised Taxi Licensing Sub Committee Guidelines

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To approve the recommendations of the Cross Party Working Group.
- 1.2 To recommend that members adopt the draft version of the revised Taxi Licensing Sub Committee Guidelines.
- 1.3 To note the comments and information obtained from the consultation process.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 At its meeting on 25 April 2007, Committee considered the effects of legislation amending Part 2 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 (c.57) and now allows the Council to suspend or revoke a hackney carriage or private hire vehicle driver's licence with immediate effect where it is in the interests of public safety to do so.
- 2.2 It was agreed that a cross party working group would be established after the local government elections, with a remit to examine the effect of this legislation, (The Road Safety Act 2006 (Commencement No. 1) (England and Wales) Order 2007), in respect of the existing taxi licensing guidelines for existing drivers and new applicants. These guidelines now required amendment; to reflect a new two stage procedure if members consider that a suspension or revocation of a licence is warranted.
- 2.3 The recommendations of the cross party working group have been incorporated into the final draft version of the Council's revised Taxi Licensing Sub Committee Guidelines. This is attached at Appendix 2.

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Appendix 1 – Implications
List of appendices: Appendix 2 – draft version of the Council's revised Taxi Licensing Sub Committee Guidelines.

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None

Legal

2. None

Personnel

3. None

Equalities impact

4. None

Corporate priorities

5. Taxi Licensing contributes to the priority of **delivering excellent services, performance and value for money.**