

# Minutes

Name of meeting LICENSING COMMITTEE

Date and time MONDAY, 30 JANUARY 2017 COMMENCING AT 4.00 PM

Venue COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF

**WIGHT** 

Present Cllrs Julie Jones-Evans (Chairman), Jonathan Bacon, Reg Barry,

Ray Bloomfield, John Hobart, John Howe, Daryll Pitcher

Officers Present Amanda Gregory, Julie Martin, Kevin Winchcombe

Apologies Cllr David Eccles, Richard Hollis

#### 1. Minutes

### **RESOLVED**:

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on <u>14 December 2015</u> be confirmed.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations received at this stage.

### 3. Minutes of this meeting

#### **RESOLVED**:

THAT the Chairman be authorised to sign, as a true record, a copy of the Minutes when they had been produced.

#### 4. <u>Determination of the table of fares in respect of Hackney Carriages</u>

The Committee was told that a review of hackney carriage fares was undertaken annually in November following consultation with the taxi trade.

Members asked if taxi firms were able to set their own tariff and were advised they could. It was noted the last increase in fares was to tariff one in 2013.

Questions were raised as to whether national figures were used when setting the fares, or were local factors taken into account. Members were told that additional insurance costs were calculated locally, similar to the additional running costs, in total approximately £1,800.00 was added on to cover those

additional costs. The salary costs were local Isle of Wight costs obtained from national statistics, where possible local costs were used. However, to get a general idea of the costs of running a vehicle, the AA figures were used which were based on the national averages.

After some discussion members believed that following the review of the table of fares in November each year, officers should continue to bring it back to committee for decision.

## **RESOLVED**:

THAT no changes be made to the existing table of fares.

**CHAIRMAN**