

Minutes

Name of meeting LICENSING COMMITTEE

Date and time MONDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2017 COMMENCING AT 4.00 PM

Venue COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF

WIGHT

Present Cllrs Charles Chapman (Chairman), Michael Beston, Paul Fuller,

John Howe, Julie Jones-Evans, John Kilpatrick

Officers Present Ben Gard, Amanda Gregory, Julie Martin, Kevin Winchcombe

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations received at this stage.

2. Report of the Head of Place

Determination of the table of fares in respect of hackney carriages

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

It was noted that in previous year's figures from the AA had been used to assist in determining fares, unfortunately the AA no longer provided that service, so figures from the RAC had been used instead. Both the AA and RAC provided detailed costings and were regularly updated although they were presented in a slightly different way.

Members believed that officers should continue to review the table of fares annually but only refer the matter to the Licensing Committee if officers thought the table of fares needed to be increased.

A question was raised in regard of electric taxis, as it was believed the cost of running these was significantly lower than a petrol or diesel car. Members were advised it would be looked at in the future.

RESOLVED:

- (i) THAT no changes be made to the existing table of fares.
- (ii) THAT it be delegated to officers to continue to review the table of fares annually in November but only to refer the matter to the Licensing

Committee when officers believe that the table of fares needs to be increased.

CHAIRMAN