



Committee: LICENSING REGULATORY COMMITTEE

Date: THURSDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 2016

Venue: LANCASTER TOWN HALL

Time: 1.00 P.M.

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2016 (previously circulated).

3. **Items of Urgent Business authorised by the Chairman**

4. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive declarations by Members of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting.)

Whilst not a legal requirement, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9 and in the interests of clarity and transparency, Members should declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register at this point in the meeting.

In accordance with Part B, Section 2 of the Code of Conduct, Members are required to declare the existence and nature of any other interests as defined in paragraphs 8(1) or 9(2) of the Code of Conduct.

5. **Broadfields Park Caravan Site Licence Review Update**

Update from the Chairman

6. **Fares Report (Pages 1 - 2)**

Report of the Licensing Manager

Exclusion of the Press and Public

7. Exempt Items

The Committee is recommended to pass the following recommendation in relation to the following items:

“That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that they could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act.

Members are reminded that, whilst the following items have been marked as exempt, it is for the Committee itself to decide whether or not to consider them in private or in public. In making the decision, Members should consider the relevant paragraph of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and also whether the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. In considering their discretion, Members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

8. Existing Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence - Elleran Hobart (Pages 3 - 15)

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9. Existing Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence - Muhammad Tabarak Karim (Pages 16 - 24)

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10. Existing Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Dual Driver's Licence - John Bradley Taylor (Pages 25 - 37)

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11. Existing Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence - HV393 - Proprietor: Kevin Dixon (Pages 38 - 40)

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ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

(i) Membership

Councillors Colin Hartley (Chairman), Margaret Pattison (Vice-Chairman), Susie Charles, Sheila Denwood, Charlie Edwards, Mel Guilding, Tim Hamilton-Cox, Terrie Metcalfe and Robert Redfern

(ii) Substitute Membership

Councillors Alan Biddulph, Joan Jackson, Rebecca Novell, Oscar Thynne and John Wild

(iii) Queries regarding this Agenda

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(iv) Changes to Membership, substitutions or apologies

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LICENSING REGULATORY COMMITTEE

**Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 –
Proposed Variation of Hackney Carriage Fares
1 September 2016**

Report of the Licensing Manager

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The report is for noting.

This report is public.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the report be noted.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Members will recall that at a meeting of this committee in June of this year they approved an increase in the hackney carriage table of fares by 10p on each separate flag fall (which is the starting point of a meter), and authorised the licensing manager to advertise the proposed changes in line with the statutory requirement.

1.2 This effectively meant that the following changes should have been advertised

Tariff one – normal daytime charge

£2.50 for the first 660 yards or uncompleted part thereof

Tariff two – between midnight and 5.00am every day except when tariff 3 applies Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve between 7pm and midnight

£3.70 for the first 660 yards or uncompleted part thereof

Tariff three – between 00.01 25 December and 07.00 27 December and between 00.01 1 January and 07.00 2 January

£4.90 for the first 880 yards or uncompleted part thereof

1.3 A notice was subsequently placed in the Lancaster Guardian and no objections were received with the representation period. Accordingly, the new table of fares was deemed to come into force on the 1 July and meters were required to be calibrated to the tariffs above

1.4 However early in August a hackney proprietor contacted licensing officers to point out that there had been a typographical error in relation to tariff 3, and instead of reading £4.90 the notice read as £4.70. This was a simple typing error on the part of the licensing manager. Members will note that tariff 3 is not applicable until Christmas and that meters were calibrated to the tariffs above.

1.4.1 This matter has now been dealt with by simply placing a new public notice (dealing only with the tariff 3 charges) in the Lancaster Guardian. The normal representation

period will apply. Members should note that the trade have been previously balloted on the increases approved by the Licensing Regulatory Committee and have also been previously informed the increase in tariffs would be 10p. No objections were raised to any of the tariffs during the previous notice period.

2.0 Conclusion

2.1 Due to a simple typing error the table of fares was advertised erroneously in relation to tariff 3 and this has now been rectified by way of a new public notice only in relation to tariff 3.

CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT (including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)	
None applicable to this report.	
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	
None	
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
The legal requirement to advertise any proposed change is covered in the report.	
BACKGROUND PAPERS	Contact Officer: Wendy Peck Telephone: 01524 582317 E-mail: wpeck@lancaster.gov.uk Ref: WP
None.	

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