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Decision Summary

Committee:

Date:

Committee Clerk:

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LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 4 AUGUST 2021

Jenny Bryce-Chan

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Chair

Councillor Amanda Pinnock

Councillors Attended

Councillor Mahmood Akhtar

Councillor Adam Gregg

Councillor Andrew Marchington

Councillor Carole Pattison

Attendees

Fiona Goldsmith, Public Protection Group Leader

David Stickley, Senior Legal Officer

Martin Wood, Acting Head of Public Protection

Apologies

Councillor James Homewood, Councillor Mumtaz Hussain, Councillor Mohan Sokhal, Councillor David Hall, Councillor Kath Taylor, Councillor Michael Watson, Councillor Paola Antonia Davies, Councillor Karen Allison and Councillor Terry Lyons

1 Membership of the Committee

This is where Councillors who are attending as substitutes will say for whom they are attending.

No substitute members were in attendance.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

To approve the minutes of the Committee meetings held on the 17 December 2020 and 19 May 2021.

That the minutes of the Committee meetings held on the 17 December 2020 and the 19 May 2021 be approved as a correct record.

3 Interests

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

No interests were declared.

4 Admission of the Public

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

All agenda items were considered in public session.

5 Deputations/Petitions

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 (2), Members of the Public should provide at least 24 hours' notice of presenting a deputation.

No deputations or petitions were received.

6 Public Question Time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

No public questions were asked.

7 Department of Transport - Statutory Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle Standards

A report seeking approval to consult on the review of the Kirklees Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Policy considering the new Statutory Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle Standards.

Contact: Fiona Goldsmith, Group Leader, Licensing and Russell Williams, Operational Manager. Tel: 01484 221000

RESOLVED

That:

- a) the report be noted
- b) officers commence a three-month consultation exercise in relation to the proposed changes to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy with regard to the guidance issued by the Department for Transport; and
- c) officers in consultation with trade representatives consider this matter as a wider review into vehicle age limits and vehicle specifications
- d) the results of the consultation be presented to a future meeting of the Licensing and Safety Committee

8 Licensing Service Standards

A report to inform Members and seek approval of proposed Licensing Service Standards in relation to the processing of private hire and hackney carriage applications.

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RESOLVED

That the proposed service standards be approved by the Committee.
