

## MEETING OF THE

# TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE

(Members: Councillors Naeem Ashraf, Neil Butterworth, David Clegg, Joe Cooney, Mohammed Igbal, Christopher Jowett, Graham Roach and Kath Shore)

## TO BE HELD ON

# THURSDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2014

## AT 7.00 P.M.

## IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT NELSON TOWN HALL

Members of the public may also speak on any agenda item in which they have a direct interest. Petitions may also be presented.

You should try to make your request in writing or by telephone by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. If you are unable to do this the Chairman may still allow you to speak if you turn up at the meeting

For further information and to make a request to speak please contact Sarah Waterworth on tel: 661654





If you would like this information in a way which is better for you, please telephone us.



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### AGENDA

#### 1. <u>Declaration of Interests</u>

Members are reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests.

A Member must declare a disclosable pecuniary interest which he/she has in any item on the agenda. A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any item may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

In addition the Council's Standing Orders require a Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest to leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place."

#### 2. <u>Minutes</u>

**Enc.** To approve or otherwise, the Minutes of meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2014.

#### 3. <u>Results of a Spot Check</u>

- **Enc.** The Engineering and Special Projects Manager reports, for information, that a joint spot check on licensed vehicles was carried out on the evening of Friday 21st March 2014 at Macadams, Colne with the Police and Vehicle Operator Services Agency (VOSA). Thirteen vehicles were tested in total with four of those being taken off the road. A list of the vehicles tested and faults is attached. These vehicles will now revert to a four month licence and test.
- 4. Result of Appeal

#### Fakhar Zaman

The Engineering and Special Projects Manager reports that Mr. Zaman's private hire driver's licence was suspended at a meeting of this committee in September 2013 due to him accruing 29 Council penalty points over a three year period. An appeal was submitted to Burnley Magistrates Court which was heard on 16th January 2014. The appeal was dismissed and the Council was awarded £100 costs. A further appeal was submitted to the Crown Court which was due to be heard on 15th May, 2014. On the day of the hearing Mr. Zaman withdrew his appeal on the advice of his counsel and awarded £1371 costs to be paid to the Council over a six month period at £60 per week.

#### 5. Age Limit of Licensed Vehicles

**Enc.** The Engineering and Special Projects Manager submits the attached report which provides a detailed breakdown of vehicles failing taxi tests, so that a final recommendation, on the age limit of licensed vehicles, can be made to the Executive (report to follow).

#### 6. <u>Hackney Carriage Demand Survey</u>

**Enc**. To consider the recommendations of CTS following the publication of the hackney carriage demand survey.

### 7. Exclusion of Public and Press

To consider excluding the public and press from the meeting during the next following items of business in pursuance of the power contained in Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 as amended (i.e., exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person).

#### 8. Interviews

To interview the following applicants for licences:-

- 1. MAA
- 2. AN
- 3. WAA
- 4. FM