



MEETING OF THE TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE

(Members: Councillors Pauline McCormick (Chairman),
Mohammed Ashraf, Neil Butterworth, David Clegg, Tommy Cooney, Mohammed Iqbal, Kath Shore
and Janine Throupe)

TO BE HELD ON
THURSDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 2012
AT 7.00 P.M.

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT NELSON TOWN HALL

The meeting will commence with **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**. Members of the public are invited to attend and ask questions of the Committee.

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

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

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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آپ کے لئے زیادہ مفید ہو تو براہ کرم ہماری آہنٹا بلانوں کریں۔

A G E N D A

1. Declaration of Interests

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. Public Question Time

To receive, for a maximum of 15 minutes, questions from members of the public on issues which do not appear on the agenda.

3. Minutes

Enc. To approve or otherwise, the Minutes of meeting held on 9th July, 2012.

4. Hearing Procedures

Enc. The Democratic and Legal Manager submits the attached report regarding the procedures for hearings.

5. Offences – Definitions

Enc. The Democratic and Legal Manager submits the attached report regarding definitions of various types of criminal offence which are commonly referred to in reports to this committee.

6. Disability Awareness Training

The Engineering and Special Projects Manager reports that a request has been made from a councillor for members to consider introducing compulsory training for all drivers who carry wheelchair users in their vehicles.

The Law Commission is undertaking a reform on the Law of Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles and one of their suggestions is that all drivers will be required to have disability awareness training to deal with people with disabilities.

RECOMMENDATION

That this item be deferred until the draft bill and final proposals on Reforming the Law of Taxis and Private Hire Services have been published in November 2013.

7. Vehicle Application

Enc. The Engineering and Special Projects Manager submits that attached report which asks members to consider when an application for a hackney carriage or private hire vehicle licence should be treated as a new application once the renewal date has passed.

8. 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).

9. Application for Renewal of a Hackney Carriage Licence.

The Engineering and Special Projects Manager submits a report which asks Members to consider an application to renew a hackney carriage licence beyond the nine year age limit.

10. Interviews

To interview the following applicants for licences:-

- (1) Mohammed Sagir Ahmed
- (2) Mohammed Azam Chaudhry
- (3) Israr Alam
- (4) Waheed Afzal Chaudhry
- (5) Fakhar Zaman