

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
TAXI AND OTHER LICENSING COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, NELSON
ON 16th JUNE 2016**

PRESENT -

Councillor D. Clegg (Chairman – in the chair)

Councillors

*M. Arshad
N. Butterworth
M. Iqbal
K. Shore
C. Wakeford*

Officers in attendance

*Jackie Allen Taxi Licensing Manager
Sarah Waterworth Committee Administrator*



The following persons attended the meeting and spoke on the item indicated:-

Mr. Ilyas Mr. Akram	Results of Spot Checks	Minute No. 5
Mr Akram	Penalty Points	Minute No. 6

1. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were reminded of the requirements of the Member Code of Conduct concerning the Declaration of Interests.

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

That Councillor be appointed Vice Chairman for the municipal year 2016/17.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the proceedings of the Taxi and Other Licensing meeting held on 18th April 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A number of the members of the public made reference to vehicles failing spot checks due to small scratches/ dents on the body work and the £10 charge for the re-tests.

The Taxi Licensing Manager said the garages were testing the vehicles in accordance with the Council's Vehicle Standards policy. Vehicles could be checked by either the Taxi Licensing Manager or the Taxi Enforcement Officer prior to any taxi test.

RESOLVED

That the Taxi Licensing Manager and the representative of the Hackney Carriage trade meet to discuss proposals regarding the conditions regarding body work.

5. RESULTS OF A SPOT CHECK

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted, for information a list of vehicles tested and reported that a joint spot check on licensed vehicles was carried out during the day on Wednesday 6th April at Rigg Street Motors and the evening of Friday 3rd June, 2016 at Norfolk Street Garage, with the Police and Vehicle Operator Services Agency (VOSA). On 6th April, 11 out of the 15 vehicles tested were taken off the road and on 3rd June 10 out of 14 vehicles were taken off the road all with for mechanical faults.

6. PENALTY POINTS SCHEME

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted for information, a report regarding penalty points which had been imposed since the last meeting.

7. RESULTS OF APPEALS/ PROSECUTIONS

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Manager submitted a report regarding the results of appeals since the last meeting.

8. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED

That in pursuance of the power contained in Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, as amended, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the next item of business on the grounds that if a member of the public and press were present during consideration of the item, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person.

9. INTERVIEWS

(1) Report of MR

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submits a report in respect of MR

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RESOLVED

That this item be deferred to the next meeting due to no solicitor being present.

(2) Report of MB

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Chairman: _____