

## TERMS OF REFERENCE

### LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Council will appoint a Licensing Committee to discharge the following functions, within the resources allocated by the Council:-

Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005

- To determine all applications under the Licensing Act 2003, other than those delegated to the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager.
- To oversee all functions under the Licensing Act 2003.
- To oversee all functions under the Gambling Act 2005.
- To promote the licensing objectives which are:
  - The prevention of crime and disorder.
  - Public safety.
  - The prevention of public nuisance.
  - The protection of children from harm.
- To keep the Council's Statement of Policy under review.
- To recommend to the Council any changes considered necessary to the Statement of Policy either during the currency of the policy or at the expiry of any five-year-period of the policy.
- To provide a forum for discussion and consultation with the licensed trade and the owners of late night refreshment premises, the police, the fire authority and other statutory bodies.
- To take all necessary enforcement action, including taking legal proceedings.
- To defend appeals against its decisions.
- To keep the registers required by the Licensing Act 2003.

### TAXI AND OTHER LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Council will appoint a Taxi and Other Licensing Committee to discharge the regulatory functions relating to taxi and other licensing. In particular, the Taxi and Other Licensing Committee will:

- Interview applicants and determine applications for hackney carriage drivers and private hire drivers and operators' licences which the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager considers might be refused.
- Make recommendations on licence conditions and requirements.
- Meet with representatives of the licensed taxi trades to discuss matters of concern.
- Under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982:
  - oversee all functions regarding street trading and in particular determine applications for street trading consents;
  - oversee all functions regarding sex establishment licences and in particular determine all applications for such licences.