



MEETING OF THE TAXI LICENSING COMMITTEE

(Members: Councillors Faraz Ahmad (Chair), Naeem Ashraf, Neil Butterworth, Kieran McGladdery, Brian Newman, Kevin Salter and Mick Strickland)

TO BE HELD ON
MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2023
AT 7.00 P.M.

IN THE WILSON ROOM 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.

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 Chair 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
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آپ کے لئے زیادہ مفید ہو تو براہ کرم اسے ہماری ویب سائٹ پر کریں۔

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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 the meeting held on 26th June 2023.

4. Taxi Safety and Measures to Improve Public Safety

In order to make the trade safer for passengers and drivers, suggested changes to the taxi policy were put out to consultation earlier this year. A report which outlined the issues and provided details of the consultation responses was considered by this Committee in March, and a number of recommendations were submitted to the former Policy and Resources Committee for approval.

Enc. At the request of the former Policy and Resources Committee a Task and Finish Group was set up to look at improvements to taxi safety. The notes of the Group's meeting held on the 11th July are submitted for information.

The Committee's attention is drawn to the Task and Finish Group's decision that members of the trade be given a further opportunity to submit, in writing, their proposals for improving taxi safety and the requirement that these be submitted within three weeks of the date of the Group's meeting.

Members are advised that no written proposals have been received, therefore the Committee is recommended to request Council to approve the proposed changes to the taxi policy as agreed by the Task and Finish Group.

5. Hackney Carriage Demand Survey

Enc. The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submits the attached report for Members to consider the recommendations of Licensed Vehicle Surveys and Assessment (LVSA) following the completion of the hackney carriage demand survey.

6. Proposed Increase in Hackney Carriage Fares

Enc. The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submits the attached report for Members to consider a request from the hackney carriage trade to increase the hackney carriage fares.

7. Results of Appeals/Prosecutions

Enc. The Assistant Director, Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submits the attached report regarding the results of appeals/prosecutions.