

**MINUTES  
ENVIRONMENT AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday 5 August 2025**

Councillor Alison Hunt (Chair)

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| Present: | Councillor Marje Paling<br>Councillor Rachael Ellis<br>Councillor Roxanne Ellis<br>Councillor Andrew Meads<br>Councillor Julie Najuk | Councillor Sue Pickering<br>Councillor Martin Smith<br>Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton<br>Councillor Paul Wilkinson |
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Absent: Councillor Alex Scroggie

Officers in Attendance: C Allcock, J Goodall, B Hopewell, K Nealon and R Towlson

**16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Scroggie.

**17 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 JULY 2025.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record.

**18 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

None.

**19 PROPOSED TAXI LICENSING FEES FOR 2025/26**

The Community Protection Manager introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking approval of the proposed vehicle licensing for 2025/26 as shown at appendix 1 to the report, subject to advertisement requirements being satisfied.

**RESOLVED:**

To approve the fees for the taxi driver, operators and vehicle licences as detailed inat Appendix 1 for 2025/26 for advertisement in accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, such fees to automatically come into force on 1 October 2025 if no objections are received within the statutory period. If any objections are received

within the statutory period, they would be referred back to Committee for consideration in accordance with the legislation.

**20 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.**

None.

**21 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.**

**RESOLVED:**

That, the Members being satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensuing reports on the grounds that the report involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

**22 CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF JOINT HACKNEY CARRIAGE & PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS LICENCE SA**

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Place, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, regarding a change of circumstances following information received about the holder of a Joint Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver's Licence.

**RESOLVED:**

To defer the decision until the next available committee.

The meeting finished at 4.35 pm

Signed by Chair:  
Date: