

Licensing Board 9 December 2014
**A MEETING OF THE LICENSING BOARD
WAS HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 2014**

The Mayor (Councillor Gill) (ex-officio), Chairman of the Policy and Organisation Board (Councillor Hook) (ex-officio), Councillors Allen (P), Ms Ballard (P), Mrs Batty (P), Beavis (P), Ms Diffey (P), Mrs Forder (P), Geddes (P), Mrs Morgan (P), Murphy (P), Ronayne (P), Scard (P), and Mrs Searle (P).

35. APOLOGIES

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were submitted on behalf of the Mayor and Councillor Hook.

36. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

37. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Board held on 28 October 2014 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

40. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations.

41. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

PART II

42. REVIEW OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARE TARIFF

Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Environmental Health requesting consideration be given to an increase in the maximum level of Hackney Carriage fares chargeable and give consideration to the tariff model shown in Appendix B and decide the level of tariff to be implemented, subject to statutory consultation, from 1 April 2015.

Members were advised that a petition had been received from the trade requesting consideration be given to an increase in fares for Hackney Carriages.

Members were advised that a correspondence had been placed in the July edition of the newsletter for drivers.

The Board were advised that if the increase was agreed it would be implemented in April 2015 subject to statutory consultation. A statutory notice would be placed in a local newspaper, not less than 14 days before the proposed increase is implemented. Members were advised that the statutory notice would be placed in the Hampshire Independent, a county wide paper used by

local authorities for the publication of notices.

It was confirmed that this would meet the statutory consultation requirement. Members requested that the notice also be made available on the website.

Members were advised that the increase was the maximum that could be set; drivers could choose not to implement the increase if they did not want to.

RESOLVED: That there shall be a 2.1% increase in the maximum level of Hackney Carriage fares chargeable and that the tariff module shown in Appendix B of the report be implemented, subject to statutory consultation, from 1 April 2015.

32. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That in relation to the following item the public be excluded from the meeting, as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and further that in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemptions outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons set out in the report.

33. APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

Consideration was given to an exempt report of the Head of Environmental Health requesting the Board consider an application for the grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence.

RESOLVED: That the application for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence be refused.

34. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

The Meeting concluded at 6.33pm

CHAIRMAN