

LICENSING

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

18 APRIL 2017

Please note that this statement contains a note of every report which has been instructed for submission to this Committee. All other actions which have been instructed by the Committee are not included, as they are deemed to be operational matters after the point of committee decision.

Reports which are overdue are shaded.

	<u>Minute Reference</u>	<u>Committee Decision</u>	<u>Update</u>	<u>Lead Officer(s)</u>	<u>Report Due</u>
1.	Licensing Committee 27.01.15 (Article 6)	<u>Survey On Unmet Taxi Demand – Collation Of Data And Consultation With Trade</u> At its meeting on 17 March 2015, the Committee agreed to instruct the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to report to the Licensing Committee in early 2016 with an analysis of taxi marshal data over a twelve month period in accordance with the terms of the report.	A verbal update was received at its meeting on 23 August 2016 and the Committee agreed that a report be submitted in six months' time. A report is on the agenda.	Head of Legal and Democratic Services	18.4.17

2.	Licensing Committee 01.09.15 (Article 7)	<u>Training for Taxi Drivers</u> At its meeting on 1 September 2015, the Committee resolved, amongst other things, to: (a) instruct officers from Legal and Democratic Services to carry out further investigations into the requirements for taxi driver training and undertake consultation with the trade; and (b) instruct officers from Legal and Democratic Service to report back to Committee on the outcome of (a).	At its meeting on 25 October 2016, the Committee noted that a report would be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee on 13 December 2016. An initial consultation has been undertaken with taxi drivers, officers will be reviewing the results and will report to the Committee meeting on 18 April 2017. A report is on the agenda.	Head of Legal and Democratic Services	25.10.16
3.	Licensing Committee 19.01.16 (article 8(D))	<u>Private Hire Driver Training</u> The Committee resolved, amongst other things, to: (a) instruct officers from Legal and Democratic Services to include training for private hire driver licences as part of the current consultation on taxi driver training instructed by the Committee at its meeting on 1 September 2015 and to advise future private hire driver applicants of the opportunity to voluntarily undertake the street knowledge test.	An initial consultation has been undertaken with taxi drivers, officers will be reviewing the results and will report to the Committee meeting on 18 April 2017. A report is on the agenda.	Head of Legal and Democratic Services	25.10.16

4.	Licensing Committee 08.03.16 (article 3 appendix A)	<u>Age Policy For Private Hire And Taxi Vehicles</u> The Committee resolved to request officers to review the age policy for private hire and taxi vehicles and submit a report on this matter to a future meeting of the Committee.	A report was on the agenda for the Licensing Committee meeting on 6 April at which time it was agreed to refer the report simpliciter to full Council. The report will be considered by full Council on 11 May 2016. Council on 11 May resolved, amongst other things, to instruct the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to review the policy on Age of Vehicles following the implementation of the accessible vehicle policy on 6 June 2018 and report back to the Licensing Committee with recommendations as appropriate twelve months after the accessible vehicle policy has been implemented.	Head of Legal and Democratic Services	June 2019
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5.	Council 11.05.16	<p><u>Review of Accessible Vehicles Policy</u></p> <p>Council on 11 May resolved, amongst other things:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to instruct the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to write to the UK Transport Minister in order to seek further clarity on any proposed implementation date for the remaining provisions of part 12 of the Equality Act 2010; and (ii) to instruct the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to write to the Chief Executive of Dundee City Council seeking clarity in and around their mixed fleet policy and report back to the Licensing Committee with their response. 	<p>At its meeting on 25 October 2016, the Committee requested the Licensing Team Leader to follow up the letter to the Chief Executive of Dundee City Council seeking clarity in and around their mixed fleet policy and report to the next meeting of the Committee in this regard.</p> <p>At its meeting on 13 December 2016 the Committee noted that a letter would be issued imminently to the Chief Executive of Dundee City Council and that an update would be provided at its next meeting on 7 February 2017.</p> <p>At its meeting on 7 February 2017, the Committee noted that a response from the Chief Executive of Dundee City Council had been received and would be reported to its next meeting on 18 April 2017.</p> <p>A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.</p>	Head of Legal and Democratic Services	18.4.17
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6.	Licensing Committee 25.10.16 articles and 9	5	<p><u>Taxi Fare Review</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) request the Licensing Team Leader, as part of the current taxi fare review, to explore ways in which any future increase in airport access charges could be mitigated by the Council in a timely manner; (ii) instruct the Licensing Team Leader to undertake a review of the existing taxi fare formula, including surcharges, following the completion of the current taxi fare review; (iii) to instruct officers to meet with trade representatives to explore the restructure of tariff charges and report back to the Committee thereafter; (iv) to instruct the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to undertake a review of the taxi fare formula and report back to the Committee the findings; and (v) to note that discussions with Aberdeen International Airport regarding the recent increased fee for non airport taxis dropping passengers off at the airport concourse were ongoing and to request that the Committee be updated on these discussions as appropriate. 	<p>At its meeting on 13 December, the Committee noted that officers were still to explore ways in which any future increase in airport access charges could be mitigated by the Council in a timely manner. A report will be submitted to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee.</p>	<p>Head of Legal and Democratic Services</p>	<p>13.12.16</p> <p>13.6.17</p> <p>13.6.17</p> <p>13.6.17</p> <p>13.6.17</p>
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7.	Licensing Committee 25.10.16 article 5	<u>Taxi Ranks</u> The Committee resolved to instruct the Licensing Team Leader to undertake a full review of taxi rank provision and location within the city, in consultation with the Roads Infrastructure Manager and all appropriate parties, to identify where suitable additional taxi ranks could be provided if appropriate and to report back on the outcome of the review to a future meeting of the Committee for consideration of the findings.		Head of Legal and Democratic Services	13.6.17
8.	Licensing Committee 13.12.16 article 6	<u>Knowledge Testing for Private Hire Drivers</u> The Committee resolved to instruct officers to review the current street knowledge test for taxi and private hire drivers, consulting with both groups and report back to the Committee at its meeting on 18 April 2017.	A report is on the agenda.	Head of Legal and Democratic Services	18.04.17