LICENSING COMMITTEE INFORMATION SHEET 14 MAY 2025

INFORMATION NOTE

Current licensing policy requires the operation of 2 zones for licensed taxis, one which covers the area within airport boundary and one which covers the rest of the city. Policy also states that that airport vehicles may only operate within the city zone from 00.00 Saturday to 05.00 Sunday.

A request has been received to suspend the zoning policy (in terms of airport zoned vehicles operating in the city) for the duration of the Tall Ships event and Offshore Europe event as has been done for Offshore Europe previously.

The Tall Ships event takes place from Friday 18 July until Tuesday 22 July.

Offshore Europe takes place from Tuesday 2 September until Friday 5 September.

Members will have to determine whether to suspend the policy and if so suspended, the exact times and dates for the suspension to start and to end. The proposed relaxations are detailed below.

PROPOSAL

If there are members of the public waiting at City Zoned Ranks then Airport Licenced Taxis are permitted to pick up (in addition to the usual midnight – 5am Saturday & Sunday)

Tall Ships 2025

Friday 18th July 18:00 – Tuesday 22nd July 23:59

Offshore Europe 2025

Tuesday 2nd September – Friday 5th September 2025 – Full Days