PUBLIC PROTECTION LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a remote meeting held on 14th May, 2024.

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<u>Present</u>: Councillor P. Drake (Chair); Councillor J.M. Norman (Vice-Chair); Councillors G. Bruce, L. Burnett, V.P. Driscoll, R. Fisher, C.P. Franks, E. Goodjohn, H.C. Hamilton, W.A. Hennessy, N.B. Marshallsea. M.J.G. Morgan and R. Sivagnanam.

Also Present: Councillor E. Williams (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health).

13 ANNOUNCEMENT -

Prior to the commencement of the business of the Committee, the Chair read the following statement: "May I remind everyone present that the meeting will be live streamed as well as recorded via the internet and this recording archived for future viewing".

14 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE –

This was received from Councillor M.R. Wilkinson.

15 MINUTES –

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 9th April, 2024 be approved as a correct record.

16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -

No declarations of interest were received.

17 PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BOTH THE HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE CONDITIONS FOLLOWING CONSULTATION (DEH) –

The report was presented by the Licensing Team Manager who advised that the report sought approval to amend the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Licence Conditions. The proposed amendments were to increase the amount of time proprietors had to present their vehicle for testing on the renewal of their licence. Currently they had 10 working days to present their vehicle for testing, the proposal was to increase this to one month which would bring this in line with current MOT testing arrangements for all vehicles.

Following presentation of the report, having fully considered the matter and with no further queries or comments, Committee subsequently:

RESOLVED – T H A T the contents of the report be noted, and that condition 33 of the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence Conditions, together with condition 38 of the Private Hire Vehicle Licence Conditions, be amended with immediate effect to reflect the revised wording, as outlined in Recommendation (1) within the report.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.