

General Licensing Committee Agenda



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A meeting of the

General Licensing Committee

will be held on Monday, 12 March, 2012 at 2.30 pm

South Oxfordshire District Council Offices, Benson Lane, Crowmarsh Gifford,
Wallingford, Oxon, OX10 8ED

Members of the Committee:

Councillors

Melinda Tilley (Chairman)

Marilyn Badcock (Vice-Chairman)

John Amys

Mike Badcock

Charlotte Dickson

Anthony Hayward

Dudley Hoddinott

Bob Johnston

Peter Jones

Pat Lonergan

Ron Mansfield

Julie Mayhew-Archer

Gill Morgan

Janet Shelley

John Woodford

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M Reed".

Margaret Reed

Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Vale of White Horse District Council & South Oxfordshire District Council
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Members are reminded of the provisions contained in the code of conduct adopted on 30 September 2007 and standing order 34 regarding the declaration of personal and prejudicial interests.

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1. Notification of substitutes and apologies for absence

To record the attendance of substitute councillors, if any, who have been authorised to attend in accordance with the provisions of standing order 17(1) with notification having been given to the proper officer before the start of the meeting and to receive apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interest

To receive any declarations of personal or personal and prejudicial interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

3. Minutes

To adopt and sign as a correct record the minutes of the committee meeting held on 18 May 2011 (previously published and circulated separately).

4. Chairman's introduction and explanation of the format of the meeting

To receive notification of any matters, which the chair determines, should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances, which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the chair.

5. Statements, petitions and questions from the public relating to matters affecting the general licensing committee.

Any statements, petitions and questions from the public under Standing Order 32 will be made or presented at the meeting.

6. Resolution to adjourn the meeting for a joint briefing and discussion with South Oxfordshire District Council General Licensing Committee on item 7

Adjournment for discussion

7. Licensing policy for hackney carriage and private hire: joint statement of licensing policy

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To receive the report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, key changes (appendix 1) and draft statement of policy (appendix 2) **(attached)**.

A copy of the Department for Transport's 'Taxi and private hire vehicle licensing: Best practice guidance' is also

Purpose: The committee is asked to:

- discuss the policy and make any recommendations for changes to the policy before officers publish it for consultation;
- authorise officer to publish the draft policy for consultation with stakeholders for the statutory 12 week period.

Exempt information under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972

None