

Minutes

of a meeting of the

General Licensing Committee



held on the rising of the preceding Licensing Acts Committee meeting on Wednesday 14 May 2014 at the The Ridgeway, The Beacon, Portway, Wantage, OX12 9BX

Open to the public, including the press

Present:

Members: Councillor Charlotte Dickson (Chairman), Marilyn Badcock (Vice-Chairman), John Amys, Eric Batts, Jeanette Halliday, Anthony Hayward, Dudley Hoddinott, Bob Johnston, Bill Jones, Angela Lawrence, Ron Mansfield, Elizabeth Miles, Gill Morgan, Val Shaw and Alison Thomson

Officers: Steven Corrigan and Margaret Reed

Number of members of the public: 0

GL.1 Notification of substitutes and apologies for absence

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor Aidan Melville with Councillor Angela Lawrence substituting.

GL.2 Minutes

RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the meeting on 15 January 2014 as a correct record and agree that the Chairman sign these as such.

GL.3 Appointment of taxi panels

The committee considered a proposal to appoint sub-committees to consider matters under the taxi Licensing Policy

RESOLVED:

- to appoint sub-committees comprising any three members, or their appointed substitutes, of the General Licensing Committee;
- that the sub-committees be known as taxi licensing panels;
- to appoint each member or substitute of the General Licensing Committee to serve on any taxi licensing panel which is convened so as to include her or him in its membership;
- to authorise each taxi licensing panel to discharge all functions relating to matters referred to the committee or to its sub-committees under the Taxi Licensing Policy;
- that, wherever possible, applications should be heard by a panel comprising the chairman or vice-chairman of the committee plus two other members of the committee, but that this should not affect the principle that any three members or their substitutes of the committee will constitute a properly appointed panel;

- to authorise the head of legal and democratic services to invite an appropriate panel to conduct a scheduled hearing having regard to members' availability and eligibility to take part and ensuring that as far as possible all members of the committee have the opportunity to conduct hearings.

The meeting closed at 8.28pm