

# Minutes

of a meeting of the



## General Licensing Committee

held on the rising of the preceding meeting of the Licensing Acts Committee on 17 May 2017 at The Ridgeway, The Beacon, Portway, Wantage, OX12 9BY

Open to the public, including the press

### Present:

Members: Councillors St John Dickson (Chairman), Mike Badcock, Eric Batts, Yvonne Constance, Margaret Crick, Charlotte Dickson, Robert Hall, Jenny Hannaby, Dudley Hoddinott, Chris McCarthy and Reg Waite

Officers: Steven Corrigan and Margaret Reed

### GL.1 Apologies for absence

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Julia Reynolds.

### GL.2 Minutes

**RESOLVED:** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2017 as a correct record and agree that the Chairman sign these as such.

### GL.3 Declarations of interest

None.

### GL.4 Urgent business and chairman's announcements

None.

### GL.5 Public participation

None.

## **GL.6 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 of the General Licensing Committee;
- agree that the sub-committees be known as taxi licensing panels;
- appoint each member 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, subject to her or him having attended appropriate training in the last 12 months;
- 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;
- agree 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 of the committee will constitute a properly appointed panel;
- 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 7.45pm