

Minutes

of a meeting of the

General Licensing Committee



held on the rising of the preceding Licensing Acts Committee on Wednesday 20 May 2015 at the The Ridgeway, The Beacon, Portway, Wantage, OX12 9BY

Open to the public, including the press

Present:

Members: Councillors Charlotte Dickson (Chairman), Mike Badcock (Vice-Chairman), Margaret Crick, St John Dickson, Robert Hall, Jenny Hannaby, Dudley Hoddinott, Ben Mabbett, Robert Sharp and Reg Waite

Officers: Steven Corrigan and Margaret Reed

Number of members of the public: 0

GL.1 Notification of substitutes and apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of councillors Chris McCarthy and Julia Reynolds.

GL.2 Minutes

RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the meeting on 27 March 2015 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 7.50pm