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General Purposes Licensing Committee

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Place: **Oxford Town Hall**

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General Purposes Licensing Committee

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AGENDA

Pages

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

The Quorum for this meeting is 4.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors serving on the Committee are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in any of the following agenda items.

3 UPDATE ON TAXI LICENSING ACTIVITY APRIL 2011- AUGUST 2011

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The Head of Environmental Development has submitted a report which details the progress made by the Taxi Licensing Function between April 2011 and August 2011.

The Committee is asked:

- (a) To note the contents of the report;
- (b) To make comments and recommendations regarding the future work of the Taxi Licensing Function.

4 CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION IN LICENSED VEHICLES - CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES

7 - 8

The Head of Environmental Development has submitted a report which seeks approval for the attachment of additional conditions to Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle licences in relation to CCTV.

The Committee is asked:

- (a) To approve the implementation of the attached additional conditions (as set out in Appendix 1 of this report) to Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle licences in relation to the installation, operation and maintenance of CCTV systems;
- (b) To delegate the to the Head of Environmental Development and the Head of Law and Governance to make any necessary textual changes to the proposed conditions.

5 DRAFT SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENSING POLICY

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The Head of Environmental Development has submitted a report which seeks

to create a policy that sets out Oxford City Council's framework for the regulation of Sex Establishments in Oxford.

The Committee is asked:

- (a) Consider the draft Sex Establishment Licensing Policy based on the document appended to this report;
- (b) Consider whether or not to set a limit on the "appropriate number of sex establishments";
- (c) Agree any amendments to the draft Sex Establishment Licensing Policy or otherwise depending upon whether to set a limit on the appropriate number of sex establishments; and;
- (d) Agree the consultation programme as set out in this report; and
- (e) Request that the Head of Environmental Development submit a further report following the consultation or should the Committee wish for a limit to be set on the "appropriate number" of sex establishments, that following consultation at Area Fora, the "appropriate numbers be submitted to the Head of Environmental Development and the draft policy be amended accordingly, and a further report be submitted detailing the limit to be set on the "appropriate number" of sex establishments and included in the draft policy and a revised consultation period.

6 HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGES - CONSULTATION

53 - 116

The Head of Environmental Development has submitted a report which asks the Committee to consider the responses to the consultation regarding Horse Drawn Carriages.

The Committee is asked:

- (a) Consider the responses received during the consultation regarding Horse Drawn carriages; and
 - (b) Determine whether to either
 - (i) Proceed with the implementation of the Horse Drawn Carriage scheme.
 - (ii) Recommend Council to make the approved byelaws.
 - (iii) Subject to the making of the approved byelaws by Council authorise the Head of Law and Governance and Head of Environment Development to carry out the necessary statutory procedures.
- OR
- (iv) Not to proceed with implementation of the horse drawn carriage scheme.

7 HACKNEY CARRIAGE UNMET DEMAND SURVEY

117 - 126

The Head of Environmental Development has submitted a report which informs the Committee of the requirement for a new “unmet demand survey” of Hackney Carriage vehicles, if the regulated number of Hackney Carriage vehicles is to be maintained.

The Committee is asked:

- (a) Determine whether it is minded to recommend Council maintain a regulated number of Hackney Carriage vehicle licenses as set out in the Council’s Policy Framework; and
- (b) If minded to recommend Council to maintain a regulated number of Hackney Carriage vehicles, to authorise the Head of Environmental Development to tender for a new unmet demand survey to be carried out in 2012 following the guidelines set by the Department of.

8 DESIGNATION OF STREETS FOR STREET TRADING - CONSULTATION RESPONSES

127 - 148

The Head of Environmental Development has submitted a report the purpose of which is to report back on the responses to the public consultation on the proposal to designate all street in Oxford City as Consent streets for the purposes of Street Trading.

The Committee is asked:

- (a) To consider responses to the consultation,
- (b) To resolve to recommend that Council designates all streets within the Oxford City Council boundary as Consent Streets for the purposes of the Street Trading Scheme with effect from 1st April 2012,
- (c) To remove the designation of the Covered Market Walkways, the Clarendon Centre Walkways and the Westgate Centre Walkways,
- (d) To request the Head of Environmental Development to include a fee for daytime trading for sites outside the City centre and for community / charitable events in the review of fees and charges for 2011/12.

9 MINUTES

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Minutes of the meeting held on 15th June 2011.

10 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Committee is asked to note that it will meet on the following dates at the Town Hall:

Wednesday 22nd February 2012

DECLARING INTERESTS

What is a personal interest?

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A personal interest can affect you, your relatives or people with whom you have a close personal association positively or negatively. If you or they would stand to lose by the decision, you should also declare it.

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What do I need to do if I have a personal interest?

You must declare it when you get to the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you. You may still speak and vote unless it is a prejudicial interest.

If a matter affects a body to which you have been appointed by the authority, or a body exercising functions of a public nature, you only need declare the interest if you are going to speak on the matter.

What is a prejudicial interest?

You have a prejudicial interest in a matter if;

- a) a member of the public, who knows the relevant facts, would reasonably think your personal interest is so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interest; and
- b) the matter affects your financial interests or relates to a licensing or regulatory matter; and
- c) the interest does not fall within one of the exempt categories at paragraph 10(2)(c) of the Code of Conduct.

What do I need to do if I have a prejudicial interest?

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