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General Purposes Licensing Committee

This meeting will be held on:

Date: **Monday 25 September 2023**

Time: **6.15 pm**

Place: **Long Room - Oxford Town Hall**

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Councillors: Membership 15: Quorum 5: No substitutes are permitted.

Councillor Edward Mundy (Chair)

Councillor Mary Clarkson (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Barbara Coyne

Councillor Andrew Gant

Councillor Rae Humberstone

Councillor Jemima Hunt

Councillor Mark Lygo

Councillor Katherine Miles

Councillor Lois Muddiman

Councillor Susanna Pressel

Councillor Rosie Rawle

Councillor Jo Sandelson

Councillor Louise Upton

Councillor Naomi Waite

Councillor Diko Walcott

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3 Hackney Carriage Tariff Variation	7 - 50
<p>The Head of Regulatory Services and Community Safety has submitted a report to consider an application for a variation of the current Hackney Carriage Table of Fares from the City of Oxford Licensed Taxicab Association (COLTA).</p> <p>Recommendation(s): That the General Purposes Licensing Committee resolves to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Consider the application for a variation to the current Hackney Carriage table of fares in accordance with the information contained within this report; and2. Instruct the Licensing team to liaise with the applicant, the City of Oxford Licensed Taxicab Association, to amend the proposed table of fares, addressing the view of Oxford City Council Licensing and the views of the General Purposes Licensing (GPL) Committee; and3. Delegate to the Chair and Vice Chair of the GPL committee to consider any amendments to the table of fares; and4. Instruct the Head of Community Safety and Regulatory Services in consultation with the Head of Law and Governance to carry out the statutory requirement of a public consultation on the proposed table of fares variation; and5. Delegate to the Chair and the Head of Regulatory Services and Community Safety to consider any response to the proposed variation.	
4 Miscellaneous Licensing Update Report	51 - 54
<p>The Head of Regulatory Services and Community Safety has submitted a report to update the Committee on several matters within the Miscellaneous Licensing service group relevant to their delegated responsibilities</p> <p>Recommendations: That the General Purposes Licensing Committee resolves to:</p> <p>Note the current position and planned officer actions regarding the matters within this report</p>	

5 Minutes of the previous meeting

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Recommendation: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2023 as a true and accurate record.

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5 February 2024

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