



LICENSING COMMITTEE

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

Thursday, 6th November 2014

PRESENT

MEMBERS

Councillors Frank Cant, Ida Carmichael, John Fifield, Mathew Isherwood, Anne Kelly, Arif Khan, Neil Mottershead, Tom Porter and Ann Royle

OFFICERS

Peter Henderson	-	Principal Licensing Officer
Emma Barker	-	Principal Legal Officer
Imelda Grady	-	Democracy Officer

5. Appointment of Chair

RESOLVED That Councillor Anne Kelly be appointed Chair

Councillor Kelly in the Chair

6. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Saeed Chaudhary, Jean Cunningham, Gary Frayling, Shah Hussain and Jeff Sumner.

7. Minutes of the last meeting

That the Minutes of the last meeting held on 18th June 2014, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

8. Taxi Licensing Enforcement Procedure

Peter Henderson outlined the procedure to be used by officers when carrying out taxi enforcement work which had been agreed by the Taxi Task Group following trade concerns about the fairness of enforcement activity.

The procedure document set out the framework for officer actions and would provide a point of reference for anyone experiencing enforcement

action. The document would be made available for inspection on the Council's website.

RESOLVED That the Taxi Licensing Enforcement Procedure be endorsed.

9. Update on results of appeals at Magistrates Court

Members received for information the results of appeals in the Magistrates Court that related to Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers.

Emma Barker pointed out that even when appeals had been upheld in the Court there were no costs awarded against the Council which showed that the Committee's decisions had been considered reasonable.

RESOLVED That the information be noted.