At a meeting of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on MONDAY, 5th MARCH, 2018 at 2.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Blackburn in the Chair

Councillors Fletcher, I. Galbraith, P. Gibson, Heron, Howe, Johnston, Lawson, Scaplehorn and Turner.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Atkinson, Elliott and Emerson.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 5th February, 2018 Part I

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 5th February, 2018, Part I (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Hackney Carriage Fare Structure

The Executive Director of Economy and Place submitted a report (copy circulated) which sought the Committee's consideration of a request from the Sunderland Hackney Carriage Operators Association for increases to the present scale of hackney carriage fares.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Mr Reading introduced the report and advised Members that the proposed fares were set out in the report at paragraphs 4.2 to 4.4.

Mr Trevor Hines was in attendance to represent the Sunderland Hackney Carriage Operators Association and advised that this was the first increase requested in three years.

Councillor P. Gibson moved that the increased fares requested should be approved, subject to the statutory advertising. With all Members being in agreement it was:-

- 2. RESOLVED that approval be given to the following increases subject to statutory advertising:-
 - (i) an increase in the Tariff One Charges as set out in paragraph 4.2 of the report;
 - (ii) an increase in the Tariff Two Charges as set out in paragraph 4.3 of the report; and
 - (iii) an increase in the Tariff Three Charges as set out in paragraph 4.4 of the report.

Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006

3. RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during consideration of the remaining business as it was considered likely to include the disclosure of exempt information relating to an individual and the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Authority holding that information). (Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraphs 1 and 3).

(Signed) J. BLACKBURN, Chairman.

Note:-

The above minutes comprise only those relating to items during which the meeting was open to members of the public.

Additional minutes in respect of further items are included in Part II.