

At a meeting of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on MONDAY, 20th MAY 2012 at 2.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Wilson in the Chair

Councillors Emerson, P. Gibson, Marshall, Mordey, D. Richardson, D. Smith, Thompson, Waller and Wiper.

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Waller declared interests in Items 7 and 8 on the agenda as the applicants were known to her. Councillor Waller left the meeting during the consideration of Item 7. (Item 8 was withdrawn from the agenda).

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Dixon, Farthing and Macknight.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 25th March, 2013

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 25th March, 2013, Part I (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Councillor Marshall

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Marshall who was attending her first meeting as a member of the Committee.

Applications for the Grant of Hackney Carriage Licences and Private Hire Vehicle Licences.

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which sought consideration of proposed amendments to the Council's policy relating to the age of hackney carriages and private hire vehicles.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Tom Terrett, Assistant Head of Street Scene presented the report advising members that some of the amendments related to the histories of vehicles previously tested by the Council. The intention was to provide a practical alternative to service histories which, as experience had shown, were not always available to applicants.

2. RESOLVED that approval be given to the amendments to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles Age Policy as detailed in paragraph 4.2 of the report.

Hackney Carriage Fare Structure

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which sought consideration of a request received from the Sunderland Hackney Carriage Operators Association (SHCOA) for an increase to the present scale of hackney carriage fares.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

3. 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

4. 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) A. WILSON,
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.