

**MINUTES OF: LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Date of Meeting: 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**Present: Councillor Gill(Chair)  
Councillors Stevens, Essex, Haworth, Johnson, Bromley,  
Pendlebury, Neal, Brennan and MacNae.**

**In Attendance: Phil Morton, Public Protection Manager  
Yasmin Ahmed, Legal Officer  
Joanna Wood, Committee and Member Services Officer**

**Also Present: No Public**

---

---

## **BUSINESS MATTERS**

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Eaton and Cllr Cheetham (Councillor Essex subbing for Cllr Cheetham).

### **2. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES**

**Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019 approved as a correct record.

### **3. MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEES**

**Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Driver Sub-Committee meetings held on the 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019, 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019 and the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019 be approved as a correct record.

### **4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **5. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business.

### **6. LICENSING UPDATE REPORT**

The Public Protection Manager gave an update on Licensable Activities carried out by the Council. The update included Animal Licensing, Prosecutions and other enforcement actions taken on over the last few months.

On 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018 the Government introduced the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018 under Section 13 of the Animal Welfare Act 2006.

The new Regulations allow for a single license to be issued which lists the licensable activities which the applicant intends to carry on from their premises.

A license is required to carry out the following activities in the course of a business:

- Selling animals as pets
- Animal boarding
- Hiring out horses
- Breeding dogs
- Keeping or training animals for exhibition

An update was given in relation to Enforcement Actions involving animal welfare, The Licensing Act and successful prosecutions.

The Department for Transport has announced it will provide £630K across Lancashire in funding to support ultra-low emission taxis – with four charging points to be installed across Rossendale.

Further charging points are being provided by LCC for on street charging and two others as part of a joint initiative with a company called Electric Blue.

Members were requested to note the contents of the report.

Discussion took place on the item as summarised below:

- How many premises licenses are in the Borough in relation to the new Animal Licensing regulations?
- Electric charge points for taxi use only

In response to questions raised, the Public Protection Manager advised that:

- Applications for premises licenses are arriving daily in relation to the new Animal Licensing Regulations and an update will be presented at the next Licensing Meeting.
- The Electric charge points will be for taxi use only at the moment, but future plans/funding will provide a total of 9/10 across the borough for public use.

**Resolved:**

Members noted the contents of the update report.

**The meeting commenced at 6.30pm and closed 6.49pm.**

CHAIR: \_\_\_\_\_