

**MINUTES OF: LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Date of Meeting: 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

**Present: Councillor Gill(Chair)  
Councillors Stevens, Barnes, Johnson, Woods and Adshead.**

**In Attendance: Phil Morton, Public Protection Manager  
Yasmin Ahmed, Principal Legal Officer**

**Also Present: 1 member of public joined remotely**

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## **BUSINESS MATTERS**

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

No apologies

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

**Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2020 approved as a correct record.

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

**Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Driver Sub-Committee meetings held on the 17<sup>th</sup> September 2020, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020, 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021, 29<sup>th</sup> July 2021 and the 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021 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 introduced the report. To consider an amendment to the existing Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle policy to extend the upper age limit for Ultra Low Emission Vehicles (ULEV's) from ten to twelve years and to approve the reduction in fees as outlined in the report.

Discussion took place on the item as summarised below:

- Clarification on the 5 and 10 year element
- EV charging points

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

- The maximum age to join the fleet is recommended to remove (currently 5 years) and the upper age limit for vehicles to remain on the fleet is raised to 12 years from 10.
- 2 EV charging points will be located at Futures Park
- Encouraging the uptake of ULEVs through the initiative

Members voted on approval to the extension of the upper age limit for Ultra Low Emission Vehicles and the waiving in licensing fees as outlined in the report be granted:

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
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**Resolved:**

That the Licensing Committee granted approval to the extension of the upper age limit for Ultra Low Emission Vehicles and the waiving in licensing fees as outlined in the report.

**The meeting commenced at 6.30pm and closed 6.44pm.**

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