

**MINUTES OF: LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Date of Meeting: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025**

**Present: Councillor Gill (Chair)  
Councillors Driver, Eaton, Looker, Neal**

**In Attendance: Susan Chadwick, Public Protection Manager  
Sattar Hussain, Legal Officer**

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## **BUSINESS MATTERS**

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

Apologies were received from Councillors Hodgkiss and Holland.

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

#### **Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 be approved as a correct record.

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

#### **Resolved:**

That the minutes of the following Taxi Licensing Sub-Committee meetings be approved as a correct record:

- 18<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- 18<sup>th</sup> September 2024
- 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024
- 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025

### **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**

The Public Protection Manager introduced the Licensing Update report and highlighted the core work of the team. The department continued to monitor all regulatory matters.

In response to questions from members it was confirmed that:

- Spot checks on vehicles would be carried out operationally as and when necessary.
- The Public Protection Manager currently had open dialogue with Wolverhampton Council. The 20 mile radius is an intended use policy as it only applies to hackney carriages.
- Underage sale operations are conducted. There had been two in the last six months.
- In relation to underage sale of alcohol, the seller can be issued with a fixed penalty notice. A Responsible Authority may call for a review. It all depends on the circumstances and merits of the matter.

**Resolved:**

That members note the contents of the update report.

**The meeting commenced at 6.30pm and closed 6.41pm.**

Signed.....

(Chair)

Date .....