

**MINUTES OF: LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Date of Meeting: 24<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**Present: Councillor Eaton (in the Chair)  
Councillors Cheetham, Crawforth, Dickinson, Evans, Morris,  
Neal, C Pilling, H Steen and Unsworth**

**In Attendance: Clare Birtwistle, Assistant Head of Legal Services  
Noel Scanlon, Principal Legal Officer  
Tracy Brzozowski, Licensing Manager  
Emy Aceret, Committee Officer**

**Also Present: Approximately 30 Members of the Public  
1 Member of the Press**

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## **BUSINESS MATTERS**

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

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Wilson.

### **2. MINUTES**

#### **Resolved:**

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2009 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

### **3. URGENT ITEM OF BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business.

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

No declarations were made.

## **OPERATIONAL MATTERS**

### **5. CHAIR'S UPDATE**

The Chairman reported that there were no matters to report under this item.

### **6. REVIEW DECISION - HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE LICENCE CONDITION 5.10 AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE CONDITION 4.10**

The Licensing Manager presented the report detailing the circumstances surrounding the proposed review of some of the hackney carriage conditions.

Representatives from the Rossendale Taxi Association and Independent Taxi Association presented information on behalf of the taxi drivers being affected.

There was a discussion on the recommendations from the Independent Taxi Drivers Association which were seeking for a workable compromise.

The four options within the original report dated 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2008 were considered by the Elected Members.

**Resolved:**

That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence Condition 5.10 and Private Hire Vehicle Condition 4.10 be removed.

**The meeting commenced at 6.30pm and closed at 7.50pm**

CHAIRMAN \_\_\_\_\_