

LICENSING COMMITTEE



AGENDA

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Date: Wednesday 15th July 2009

Time: 7.15pm

Venue: Committee Room 1, Causeway House, Bocking End, Braintree

Membership:

Councillor M J Banthorpe [Chairman]	Councillor M Lynch
Councillor J C Collar	Councillor T McArdle
Councillor J G J Elliott	Councillor A M Meyer
Councillor R Elliston	Councillor Mrs J A Pell
Councillor J H G Finbow	Councillor A F Shelton
Councillor Mrs S A Howell	Councillor Mrs J A Smith
Councillor P J Hughes	Councillor F Swallow
Councillor E R Lynch	

Members are requested to attend this meeting, to transact the following business:-

PUBLIC SESSION

1. **Apologies for Absence.**
2. **Declarations of Interests.**
 - (a) To declare the existence and nature of any 'personal' or 'personal and prejudicial' interests relating to items on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 (inclusive) of the Code of Conduct for Members in Part 5 of the Constitution and having taken appropriate advice (where necessary) before the meeting.
 - (b) Any Member with a 'personal and prejudicial' interest to indicate whether he/she intends to make representations in accordance with paragraph 12 (2) of the Code of Conduct as part of Question Time.
3. **Minutes.** To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 20th May 2009. (Copy previously circulated)

4. **Question Time.** (See paragraph below)
5. **Hackney Carriage Vehicles Unmet Demand Survey.** To consider a report on the outcome of the survey. (Report attached) (Page 1)
6. **Department for Transport Consultation Document – Best Practice Guide for Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle Licensing.** To consider the attached report and to agree a response to the Consultation Document. (Page 107)
7. **Home Office Consultation Document – Safe, Sensible, Social – Selling Alcohol Responsibly: A Consultation on the New Code of Practice for Alcohol Retailers.** To consider the attached report and to agree a response to the Consultation Document. (Page 116)
8. **Draft Revised Gambling Act 2005 - Statement of Policy.** To consider the attached report. (Page 203)
9. **Urgent Business.** To consider any matter, which in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.
10. **To agree the exclusion of the public and press for the consideration of the following items for the reasons set out in Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972.**

At the time of compiling the agenda there were no items for inclusion in this part of the agenda.

PRIVATE SESSION

11. **Urgent Business.** To consider any matter, which in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in private by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

A Webb
Member Resources Officer

QUESTION TIME

Immediately after the Minutes of the previous meeting have been approved there will be a period of up to 30 minutes when members of the public can speak about Council business or other matters of local concern. During this period Councillors who have declared a personal and prejudicial interest in any item of business on the agenda may also speak as permitted by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members. Whilst members of the public can remain to observe the whole of the public part of the meeting, Councillors with a personal and prejudicial interest must withdraw whilst the item of business in question is being considered. Members of the public wishing to speak should contact the Council's Member Resources Section on 01376 552525 or e-mail alison.webb@braintree.gov.uk prior to the meeting. The Council's "Question Time" leaflet explains the procedure and copies of this may be obtained at the Council's offices at Braintree, Witham and Halstead.

If you require any further information relating to this agenda or wish to forward your apologies for absence, please contact Alison Webb on (01376) 552525 Ext. 2614 or e-mail alison.webb@braintree.gov.uk

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