

LICENSING COMMITTEE AGENDA



THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Date: Wednesday, 30th November 2011

Time: 7.15pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Causeway House, Bocking End, Braintree CM7 9HB

Membership:

Councillor M J Banthorpe [Chairman]	Councillor S A Howell
Councillor J Baugh	Councillor H D Johnson
Councillor T G Cunningham	Councillor J A Pell
Councillor J G J Elliott	Councillor S Sandbrook
Councillor J H G Finbow	Councillor A F Shelton
Councillor M J Fincken	Councillor L S Walters
Councillor M E Galione	Councillor S A Wilson
Councillor C Gibson	Councillor B Wright

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 28th September 2011. (Copy previously circulated)

4. **Question Time.** (See paragraph below)
5. **Hackney Carriage and Private Hire - Draft Licensing Policy.** To consider the attached report. (Page 1)
6. **Appointment of Members to the following Panels:-**
 - (i) **Braintree and District Taxi Association Liaison Panel** - To appoint five Members of the Licensing Committee to the Braintree and District Taxi Association Liaison Panel. *(Previous membership comprised Councillors M J Banthorpe, *R Elliston, J H G Finbow, S A Howell, *E R Lynch, *M Lynch, J A Pell, A F Shelton and *J A Smith).* (NOTE: Nine Members were appointed in 2010/11). *(*Not re-elected)*
 - (ii) **Drivers' Panel** - The Constitution states that membership of the Drivers' Panel must comprise any four Members drawn from the Licensing Committee to include the Chairman and/or the Vice-Chairman of the Committee. The meetings are often called at short notice and it would be helpful if those Members with an interest and who can be called upon at short notice could make themselves known. *((NOTE: all Members of the Licensing Committee were appointed to the Panel in 2010/11).*
7. **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.
8. **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

9. **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 Peace
Member Services Manager

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 Services 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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