

**LICENSING HEALTH AND SAFETY AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE****20 SEPTEMBER 2017**

<b>REPORT TITLE</b>	<b>MINOR REVISIONS TO PRIVATE HIRE AND HACKNEY CARRIAGE CRITERIA, CONDITIONS AND POLICIES</b>
<b>REPORT OF</b>	<b>MANAGING DIRECTOR FOR DELIVERY</b>

**REPORT SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to seek Members approval in respect of minor revisions to the following documents:

- Hackney Carriage Vehicle Criteria
- Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence Conditions
- Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Inspection Policy
- Statement of Policy and Guidelines relating to the Relevance of Convictions when considering applications for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver licences

**RECOMMENDATION/S**

That Members approve the minor revisions to the above documents..

## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

### **1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1.1 It is a requirement for this Committee to approve Criteria, Licence Conditions and Policies for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles.

### **2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 2.1 No other options have been considered.

### **3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 3.1 Members of this Committee approved the current Statement of Policy and Guidelines relating to the Relevance of Convictions for new applicants at their meeting on 12 October 2016. The development of a policy to apply to the conduct of current drivers has identified the need for a minor amendment to the document approved on 12 October 2016.
- 3.2 Revised Hackney Carriage Vehicle Criteria and Licence Conditions were approved by Members of this Committee on 25 January 2017. Following a review of the Criteria and Conditions for Private Hire Vehicles it has been identified that minor amendments are required in respect of the same documents for Hackney Carriage Vehicles. These amendments are limited and do not significantly amend the requirements set out in the documents. The proposed minor amendments will be highlighted at the meeting of this Committee.
- 3.3 Following amendments to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Conditions it has been necessary to update the Vehicle Inspection Policy. This policy is used by officers to undertake appropriate action should it be identified that there is a breach of the conditions. The implementation of this policy is also to achieve consistency in the action taken by officers.
- 3.4 The revised documents will be provided to Members ahead of the meeting.

### **4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

### **5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 A decision of this Committee may be subject to legal challenge.

### **6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS**

- 6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

## **7.0 RISKS**

7.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

## **8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION**

8.1 Consultation has taken place at a meeting with the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Joint Consultative Committee.

## **9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

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## **REFERENCE MATERIAL**

None

## **SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)**

<b>Council Meeting</b>	<b>Date</b>
Licensing Health and Safety and General Purposes Committee	12 October 2016
Licensing Health and Safety and General Purposes Committee	25 January 2017