

CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the **LICENSING COMMITTEE (CDC)** held on **12 FEBRUARY 2018**

PRESENT: Councillor J Rush - Chairman
C Jackson - Vice Chairman

Councillors: M Flys
M Harrold
M Harker
P Jones
C Jones
N Varley
F Wilson
H Wallace

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillors G Harris and E Walsh

8 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2017 were agreed by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

10 MINUTES OF THE LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Licensing Sub Committee meetings held on 17 May 2017 and 15 August 2017 were agreed by the Committee.

11 DUAL DRIVER LICENSING FEES

The Committee considered a report proposing fees for dual driver licences following the introduction of the licenses from 1 December 2017. The proposed dual driver licence fees were at Appendix 1. The report and accompanying appendices considered by the Licensing Committee on 15 January 2015 determining the fees for individual licences were at Appendix 2. It was reported that, in applying for a dual driver licence, drivers would be able to apply for a single licence to drive both hackney carriages and private hire vehicles without the requirement to apply for both licences individually.

It was anticipated that the number of drivers applying for a dual licence would be the same as the number for hackney carriage licences. Members enquired as to how the discount was applied for the three year licence. Members were advised that this fee included the fee for a one year licence, as well as a discounted price for the subsequent two years as the cost to the Council for maintaining a licence over this period was less. With regards to applicant testing, Members were informed that the fee allowed drivers to undertake both the private hire and the hackney carriage licence tests. Further, that these drivers gained recognised qualifications from these tests. Following this discussion, the Committee

RESOLVED:

- I. that the proposed fees for dual driver licences set out in Appendix 1 be approved and that the Head of Healthy Communities be authorised to advertise the proposed fees for 28 days;**
- II. that the fees set out in Appendix 1 become effective from 1st April 2018, if no objections are received; and**
- III. that any objections received during the consultation be considered by the Licensing Committee at its meeting on 10th May 2018, and that the Licensing Committee determine the fees with or without variation having had regard to objections received.**

Note 1: Councillor C Jones left the meeting 18:30.

The meeting ended at 6.41 pm