



NOTICE OF MEETING

Licensing and Safety Committee

Thursday 23 April 2009, 7.30 pm

Council Chamber, Fourth Floor, Easthampstead House, Bracknell

To: The Licensing and Safety Committee

Councillor Brunel-Walker (Chairman), Councillor Mrs Ryder (Vice-Chairman), Councillors Baily, Mrs Barnard, Beadsley, Brossard, Browne, Burrows, Finch, Kendall, Leake, Osborne, Thompson, Virgo and Ms Wilson

ALISON SANDERS
Director of Corporate Services

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AGENDA

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1. **Apologies for Absence**
To receive apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
Members are required to declare any personal or prejudicial interests and the nature of that interest, in respect of any matter to be considered at this meeting.
3. **Minutes**
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 5 February 2009. 1 - 6
4. **Urgent Items of Business**
Any other items which, pursuant to Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Chairman decides are urgent.
5. **Hackney Carriage Unmet Demand Survey**
To consider commissioning an unmet demand survey at the request of the Bracknell Licensed Taxi Forum with a view to introducing a limiting policy on the issue of hackney carriage licenses. 7 - 16
6. **Public Speaking at the Licensing & Safety Committee**
To consider a proposal to introduce public speaking at meetings of the Licensing and Safety Committee for a one year trial period. 17 - 22
7. **Annual Report and Service Plan**
To report on the activities carried out by the Licensing Section during the period 1 April 2008 to 31 March 2009 and seek approval to the Service Plan for the period 2009-12 and the work plan for 2009/10. 23 - 54
8. **First Aid Training for Licensed Drivers**
On 2 October the Committee deferred this item until its next meeting in order to allow officers to research some of the concerns raised by the taxi trade on the original report. Officers have now met with the Bracknell Licensed Taxi Forum and their union representatives to discuss the concerns raised and seek consensus on the way forward. 55 - 60

9. **Review of Statement of Gambling Principles**

The Council is required to review and consult upon its 'Statement of Gambling Principles' every three years from the date of adoption. The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee on the proposals for the consultation which will take place prior to the Statement being submitted to the Committee on 1 October 2009 for approval.

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10. **Bracknell Licensed Taxi Forum**

Since the last meeting of the Licensing and Safety Committee on 5 February 2009, there have been three meetings with representatives of the Bracknell Licensed Taxi Forum (BLTF), on 11 February, 3 March and 8 April. The minutes of these meetings are attached for information.

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11. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on 2 July 2009.