# LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE 14 October 2010

## OPERATORS' FORUM (Chief Officer : Environment and Public Protection)

## 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. At the last Committee meeting it was commented that members had concerns that the Council were not consulting with all aspects of the taxi trade. The Committee therefore requested officers to look at alternative options so that as wide a consultation process as possible is undertaken.
- 1.2. Officers initiated a meeting with representatives of those persons licensed as "Operators" to explore if such consultation would be welcomed.

## 2 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1. The minutes to the meeting are attached to this report as Appendix A.
- 2.2. It can be seen that a number of issues were raised which were specific to the Private Hire rather than Hackney Carriage aspects of the trade. Work is being undertaken by officers to examine the issues raised with a view to report back to the Operators and the committee. Representatives at the meeting were keen to continue with further dialogue and were supportive of the Council aim to expand consultation to all aspects of the "Taxi" trade.

#### 3 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

3.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

## 4 STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

4.1 There are no strategic risk management implications arising from this report.

#### Background Papers

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