Chair of Licensing Committee

The new Licensing Committee has now completed formal training, and held its first meeting which approved sub-committees and recommended some changes to delegations to improve the administration processes for licensing.

Since the last Chair's report Sub-Committees have met to deal with a taxi driver licence which was revoked, and have considered an application to vary a premises licence. Further hearings are scheduled.

The latest Taxi Trade Newsletter was issued to all licence-holders with valid email addresses in May, covering vehicle safety checks, out of town vehicles and other issues. Targeted intervention work on roadside checks continues with police colleagues, and some of this work has focussed on vehicles licensed by other Councils. The Taxi Task Group met in June. Cllrs Whittaker, Kelly & Cunliffe will join me in attending that established consultation forum.

In relation to the night time economy, regular visits are taking place at pubs and clubs to support compliance, and taxi observations are ongoing.