

Report of Chair of Licensing Committee

Since my last report a formal consultation exercise has been conducted in respect of a Draft Statement of Licensing Policy. The responses have been taken into account and been considered by Licensing & Scrutiny Committees, and the Executive and the policy considered here tonight.

In relation to Taxis, an ongoing ply-for-hire enforcement exercise has been carried out with positive feedback from various parties. This has coincided with a promotion of licenced Burnley private hire and Hackney vehicles that has been shared with Members. Posters are being distributed across the trade, and to premises where patrons make use of taxis.

A Taxi Trade Newsletter was published in August to update the trade on current issues, which included a survey.

The Taxi Task Group has met to consider the Safer Cabbying assessment, implemented in April to regularly refresh drivers knowledge and awareness including vehicle safety, disability and accessibility, safeguarding issues and taxi law.