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REPORT TO LICENSING COMMITTEE



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Amendment to Hackney Carriage Bye Laws

PURPOSE

1. For Licensing Committee to consider proposed amendments to the Hackney Carriage Bye Laws.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That Committee recommend to Council approval of the proposed changes to the Burnley Hackney Carriage Bye Laws. (Appendix 'A')

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. To ensure that the bye laws accurately reflect the requirements of the Council with regard to driver training, behaviour and customer care.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

- 4. Unlike private hire driver's licences, legislation prevents the Council from imposing conditions on a hackney carriage driver's licence. The only way that holders of hackney driver's licences can be the subject of legal requirements is by way of hackney carriage bye laws.
- Burnley's hackney carriage bye laws have not been updated since 6th October 1978 and do not accurately reflect modern day requirements for the control of hackney driver's behaviour.
- 6. The changes are necessary in order to reflect changes to private hire driver conditions that have previously been approved by licensing committee.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

12. Nil

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION

13. The proposed changes have previously been the subject of licensing committee reports that have been approved by licensing committee and full consultation was carried out with the taxi and private hire trade.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

14. None

FURTHER INFORMATION

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