

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Licensing Committee**
held on Monday, 19th January, 2015 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)
Councillor W S Davies (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors C Andrew, Rhoda Bailey, D Bebbington, I Faseyi, A Harewood,
L Jeuda, S Jones, D Mahon, M Parsons, L Smetham and J Wray

OFFICERS PRESENT

Sheela Dutton, Lawyer
Kim Evans, Licensing Team Leader
Julie Zientek, Democratic Services Officer

8 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors M Hardy and G Wait.

9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

10 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

11 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 8 September 2014
be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

12 MINUTES OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Licensing Act Sub-Committee
meetings held on 18 September 2014, 15 October 2014 and 24 October
2014, and the General Licensing Sub-Committee meetings held on 19
September 2014, 10 October 2014, 4 November 2014 and 19 December
2014 be received, subject to the following amendments:

That in minutes 33, 47, 48 and 49 of the General Licensing Sub-
Committee meetings held on 19 September and 4 November 2014 ‘made
representatives’ be amended to read ‘made representations’.

13 REVIEW OF LICENSING FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2015/2016

The Committee considered a report regarding the proposed licensing fees and charges for the issuing and renewal of licenses, consents and permits issued by the Licensing Team for 2015/2016.

It was proposed to introduce a retest fee in respect of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire vehicles, as an increase in the number of vehicles being licensed and a failure rate of approximately 50% had resulted in a budgetary pressure which the licensing service was unable to absorb.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the Scale of Fees and Charges for 2015/2016, as set out in Appendix A to the report, be approved.
- (b) That the Licensing Team Leader be requested to review the requirements for the retesting of hackney carriage and private hire vehicles.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.35 pm

Councillor P Whiteley (Chairman)