Minutes of the Licensing Committee 12 July 2022

Present:

Councillor R.W. Sider BEM (Chairman) Councillor O. Rybinski (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors:

C.L. Barratt R. Chandler A.C. Harman C.F. Barnard K.M. Grant B.B. Spoor

Substitutions: Councillors R.D. Dunn (In place of S.A. Dunn)

Apologies: Councillors J.T.F. Doran and V. Siva

In Attendance: Councillors C. Bateson and M. Beecher

1/22 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 July 2020 were agreed as a correct record.

2/22 Disclosures of Interest

There were none.

3/22 Amendment to Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy

The Committee considered a report requesting a minor amendment to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy 2022 to facilitate low and zero emission vehicles and improve accessibility. The Principal Licensing Officer explained the amendment was required to allow the Council to utilise grant funding towards electric and accessible taxis.

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The committee noted the amendment would bring Spelthorne's policies in line with neighbouring boroughs. The committee confirmed how the grants would be distributed and that approving the amendments would promote the use of more environmentally friendly vehicles as taxis.

The Committee **resolved** to approve the temporary amendment to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy.