

## **Report of the Chairman on the work of the Licensing Committee**

There has been one Licensing Committee and two Sub-Committee meetings since my last report. Details of these meetings are set out below.

### **1. Licensing Committee – 28 February 2018**

The Committee considered a report on Spelthorne's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy which included a number of proposed amendments to the policy as a result of consultations with other local authorities and the Surrey Safeguarding Children Board. Following discussions, it resolved to:

- (a) Adopt the final version of the Surrey-wide convictions policy and attach it to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy;
- (b) Approve the requirement for all existing taxi and private hire drivers to undertake mandatory Child Sex Exploitation (CSE) training by 1 May 2019 subject to more information on the proposed method of training being provided to the Committee;
- (c) Approve the requirement for all new taxi and private hire drivers to undertake mandatory CSE training from 11 April 2018 subject to more information on the proposed method of training;
- (d) Approve all other minor amendments to the Policy and Penalty Points Scheme;
- (e) Agree to delegate to the Senior Environmental Health Manager, in consultation with the Licensing Committee Chairman, to make minor changes to the Spelthorne Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Policy as and when they arise.

### **2. Licensing Sub-Committee – 13 April 2018**

A Licensing Sub-Committee considered a report on an application for a Premises Licence at Bakshish, Thames Edge Court, Staines-upon-Thames.

The Sub-Committee resolved to adjourn the hearing until such time as the applicant can demonstrate to the Licensing Authority that the landlord has agreed to enter into a viable lease.

### **3. Licensing Sub-Committee – 20 April 2018**

A Licensing sub-committee considered a report on an application for a full variation to the licence for MRH Shepperton, Walton Bridge Road, Shepperton. The application was to extend the hours for sale of alcohol to 24 hours daily. The Sub-Committee resolved to grant the licence subject to the addition of a condition agreed prior to the hearing, for the reasons set out in the decision notice.

Councillor Robin Sider  
*Chairman of the Licensing Committee*

**26 April 2018**