

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

**LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**DRAFT HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING POLICY**

**1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 To present a revised draft of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy following changes to the policy as a whole. A copy of the draft policy is at Appendix A to this report.
- 1.2 That consultation be carried out on the draft policy and that a further report be presented to the committee following the said consultation.

**2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 2.1 North Lincolnshire Council has a duty to protect the public and is authorised to carry out the statutory function of issuing Licences in relation to Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers, Vehicles and Operators.
- 2.2 These Licences are issued in accordance with the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.
- 2.3 There is no legal requirement for the policy; however, it was considered good practice that such a policy to be implemented. A policy has been in place since January 2011 and was last reviewed in September 2017.
- 2.4 Since the current policy was approved by this committee, there have been significant changes to the policy overall therefore track changes are not available on the policy document.

**3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 3.1 Option 1 – To revise the policy prior to consultation with interested parties.
- 3.2 Option 2 – To maintain the policy in its current format.

#### **4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS**

- 4.1 Option 1 – The policy has been changed to reflect significant changes that have deemed necessary. The changes to the policy will be subject to consultation.
- 4.2 Option 2 – A rejection of this policy would mean in the current policy remaining in force, which has some gaps.

#### **5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)**

- 5.1 None.

#### **6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 - CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)**

- 6.1 None.

#### **7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION**

- 7.1 Consultation will commence following approval of this report.

#### **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 That the draft policy be subject to consultation.

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