NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

Meeting: 16 November 2023

LICENSING COMMITTEE

HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING POLICY

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To present the revised Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy following consultation with interested parties. A copy of the policy is at Appendix A to this report.
- 1.2 That the policy be approved.

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 approve the policy following consultation with interested parties.
- 3.2 Option 2 To alter the policy before approval.

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 have been subjected to consultation. The Hackney Carriage and Private Hire trade were in agreement with the changes made.
- 4.2 Option 2 Making changes to the policy would require further consultation before it could be adopted.
- 5. FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (e.g. LEGAL, HR, PROPERTY, IT, COMMUNICATIONS etc.)
 - 5.1 None.
- 6. OTHER RELEVANT IMPLICATIONS (e.g. CRIME AND DISORDER, EQUALITIES, COUNCIL PLAN, ENVIRONMENTAL, RISK etc.)
 - 6.1 None.
- 7. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)
 - 7.1 None.
- 8. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED
 - 8.1 Consultation has been carried out and the trade are in agreement with the changes made.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 That the policy be approved.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report – None