

# Decision Schedule



## Cabinet Member for Licensing & Regulation

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Cabinet Member took the following decisions on 12 October 2017. They will become effective at Noon on 20 October 2017 with the exception of any particular decision, which is the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form is 4.00 pm on 19 October 2017.

Information relating to the 'Call-in' process can be found via [Democratic Services](#).

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**L&R 01/17**

### **Revised Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licensing Condition and Policies**

#### **Options Considered/Reasons for Decision**

To advise the Cabinet Member for Licensing & Regulation of the results of the public consultation on the proposed revised Hackney Carriage and Private Hire "Taxi" Licensing Policies and of the recommendation of the Licensing Committee and that he agreed to approve the Policies.

In 2012, the Licensing Authority undertook a full revision of its Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licensing Conditions and Policies. Officers believed it was now timely to review these "taxi" policies once more and make the necessary and appropriate changes to ensure they met new legislation (Deregulation Bill & Equality Act) and also importantly considered driver conduct standards in light of recent national Child Exploitation cases involving "taxi" drivers. It was also an opportunity to improve the standards of the trade and to ensure that the Council as the Licensing Authority had efficient processes. The revised policies (Appendix A) were out for public consultation and then considered by the Licensing Committee on 5 September 2017. The Committee recommended to the Cabinet Member that the revised policies should be approved.

#### **Decision**

To consider and approve the revised Council Taxi Licensing Policies.

#### **Consultation**

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People & Business Change and Chief Education Officer.

All members were consulted and provided with an opportunity to comment. Any comments received and response thereafter are set out in the report.

**Implemented By: Head of Regeneration & Investment**  
**Implementation Timetable: Immediate**

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COUNCILLOR R TRUMAN, CABINET MEMBER FOR LICENSING & REGULATION

12 October 2017

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