

Hackney Carriage (Taxi) and Private Hire Policy Review Working Group Terms of Reference

1. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

To produce a revised draft Hackney Carriage (Taxi) and Private Hire Policy for submission to the Licensing Committee for approval.

2. CONSTITUTION AND POWERS

- i. The Working Group shall comprise five Members of the Licensing Committee.
- ii. The Working Group shall, at its first meeting, appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair.
- iii. The Working Group shall at its first meeting set out a programme of meetings for the review.
- iv. The Working Group will identify persons/bodies from whom they wish to receive representations and invite them to put forward their views.
- v. The quorum of the Group shall be three Members.
- vi. Substitution arrangements will not apply.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Working Group will consider the following:

- a. national policy and guidance relating to the licensing of taxis and taxi drivers and what changes are required to be made to the Council's existing policy in order to align with current policy and guidance;
- b. changes required in order to align Tewkesbury Borough Council's policy more closely with the taxi licensing policies of Cheltenham Borough Council and Gloucester City Council; and
- c. the impact of any of any proposed changes to the existing policy on taxi operators, drivers and users based on representations made to the Group.

4. DELEGATED POWERS

The purpose of the Working Group is to produce a draft revised policy for submission to the Licensing Committee which has delegated power to approve the revised policy prior to public consultation.