

**WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**LICENSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

**THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, STOURPORT-ON-SEVERN**

**3RD APRIL 2006 (10.30AM)**

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**PRESENT:**

Councillors: Mrs P V Hayward (Chairman), J Baker (Joint Vice-Chairman), Mrs A T Hingley (Joint ViceChairman), G W Ballinger, A J Buckley, J-P Campion, S J M Clee, P Dyke, Mrs L Edginton, B T Glass, P B Harrison, Mrs F M Oborski and A D Williams.

**OBSERVERS:**

There were no members present as observers.

**LIC.64 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: N J Desmond, M B Kelly, M M G Oborski and Mrs P A Rimell

**LIC.65 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES**

Councillor A J Buckley was a substitute for Councillor N J Desmond.  
Councillor Mrs F M Oborski was a substitute for Councillor M M G Oborski.

**LIC.66 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillor P Dyke declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item number 9(b) application for the renewal of a street trading consent, as the applicant pays into a charity fund that is run by Councillor Dyke.

**LIC.67 MINUTES**

**DECISION:**

**The minutes of the meeting held on 20th February 2006 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.**

**LIC.68 ISSUE OF ADDITIONAL HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE LICENCES**

A report was considered from the Head of Planning, Health and Environment which sought approval for the manner in which a ballot would be carried out

to distribute additional hackney carriage plates.

The Committee was reminded of the background to the issue of Hackney Carriage Licences. The Hackney Carriage Deregulation Plan was approved by the Cabinet on the 25<sup>th</sup> August 2005. Under the provisions of the Deregulation Plan, ten additional Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licences were issued immediately and five further licences were to be issued from April 2006 with five more being issued in April 2007 and Deregulation taking place in April 2005.

Details of the proposed ballot were outlined in the report to the Committee. It was noted that the same procedure for the ballot would be adopted as used previously.

**DECISION:**

**The issue of 11 Hackney Carriage plates by means of a ballot, as detailed in the report to the Committee, be agreed.**

**LIC.69      EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**DECISION:**

**Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of “Exempt Information” as defined in paragraphs 8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.**

**LIC.70      SUMMARY OF MINUTES**

The following proceedings were considered after the press and public had been excluded from the meeting. A summary of the minutes relating to these items has been made as “exempt information” would be disclosed if the minutes were published in full.

(1)      Minutes

The exempt minutes of the meeting held on 20th February 2006 were confirmed as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

(2) Street Trading Consent

The Committee determined 7 applications for Renewal of Street Trading Consent.

**The meeting ended at 11.55 am**