

## **PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB-COMMITTEE**

**17 SEPTEMBER 2020**

### **PRESENT**

Councillor A. Duffield (in the Chair).

Councillors D. Jarman (Vice-Chair), B. Brotherton, D. Butt, S. Taylor and M.J. Welton

#### In attendance

S. Lenahan                      Principal Solicitor (Corporate and Commercial),  
J. Boyle                              Licensing Team Leader,  
N. Owen                              Governance Officer.

### **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D. Bunting, C.H. Churchill and S. Thomas

### **41. MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

### **42. COVID-19 LICENSING TEAM SERVICE PLAN - PHASE 3**

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report requesting Members to consider the proposed operational/policy changes needed to the requirements in respect of MOTs and to confirm no changes to the Council's position on the new driver application process from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

This follows the first phase emergency action plan which was approved on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2020 under emergency powers and the Phase 2 action plan which was approved by the Sub-Committee on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

RESOLVED: That the following proposals be approved:-

<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Change Type</b>
1	It is proposed to continue to suspend all stages of the new driver application process until the 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2020. In advance of that date this will be reviewed to determine the position from the 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2021.	Operational
2	It is proposed that the Licensing Reception desk remains closed and Licensing Officers continue to attend the Town Hall only as required to print off driver badges and vehicle identification plates in	Operational

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	respect of renewed, new or replacement driver and vehicle licenses. Hard copies to be sent to applicants by a secure postal delivery service. This process to be reviewed after three months.	
3	It is proposed that where the six monthly MOT on a licensed vehicle; or any extension granted to an MOT is due to expire on or after the 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2020 - the vehicle owner be required to provide an MOT certificate with no advisories. A new MOT certificate to be provided every six months in line with the Council's policy on the expiry dates of compliance certificates.	Policy

**43. UPDATE ON THE GREATER MANCHESTER MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR TAXI LICENSING; AND THE TRAFFORD HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING POLICY**

The Head of Regulatory Services submitted a report informing Members of the current proposals to introduce common, minimum standards for Private Hire and Hackney Carriage vehicles, drivers and operators across Greater Manchester; and at the same time introduce a comprehensive Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy for Trafford.

Members were also informed that the consultation due to commence on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2019 did not take place due to a delay in the decision on the funding support proposals. It is now proposed that the consultation will take place from early October 2020 for a period of eight weeks.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

The meeting commenced at 4.05 pm and finished at 4.54 pm