



Leicester
City Council

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LICENSING AND PUBLIC SAFETY
COMMITTEE**

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2015
TIME: 5:30 pm
**PLACE: Meeting Room G.02, Ground Floor, City Hall, 115 Charles
Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ**

Members of the Committee

Councillor Thomas – Chair
Councillor Byrne – Vice Chair
Councillor Cank – Vice Chair

Councillors Dr Barton, Fonseca, Hunter, Sangster, Singh Johal and Westley.

1 unallocated Non-Grouped Place

Members of the Committee are summoned to attend the above meeting to
consider the items of business listed overleaf.

for The Monitoring Officer

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PUBLIC SESSION

AGENDA

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business on the agenda.

3. RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION ON CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AWARENESS BRIEFING FOR TAXI DRIVERS [Appendix A](#)

Further to consideration of this matter at the Committee's meeting on 25 August 2015, the Director of Local Services and Enforcement submits a report containing details of the responses to the consultation on the proposal for mandatory child sexual exploitation awareness training. This information was not available at the last meeting and Members requested that it be made available to them prior to making their comments on the proposal.

Members are now requested to give their views on the proposal, which will then be reported to the Assistant City Mayor with responsibility for taxi licensing, before a decision is taken on the proposal.

4. POLICY ON LICENSING HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVERS [Appendix B](#)

The Director of Local Services and Enforcement submits a report requesting the Committee to confirm that applicants who have been found to be dishonest during the application process have their application, and any subsequent applications during the succeeding twelve months, refused on the basis that their dishonesty means they are not a 'fit and proper person' to hold a licence.

The proposal arises from a recent decision of the Licensing Enforcement Sub-Committee in relation to a review of a licence application where the applicant had been found to be dishonest when taking the topographical knowledge test.

5. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS