

Meeting: Full Council

Date: 21 February 2022

Subject: Approval of Licensing Fees

Report of: Director of Service Delivery

The Council is asked to consider the minute and resolution of the Licensing Committee held on 20 January 2022 as set out below.

Recommendation to Full Council

That the Council be recommended to approve the licensing fees proposed within Appendix 1 to apply from 1 April 2022.

Minute extract

Licensing Committee – 20 January 2022

14. Approval of Licensing Fees

The Committee considered the report which sought its recommendation to Full Council that the licensing fees proposed within Appendix 1 apply from 1 April 2022.

The Regulatory Services Lead (RSL) presented the report and its findings, highlighting the taxi licensing surplus and its change in presentation within the report from the previous year; reduced private hire driver fees; the introduction of new software; and the substantial increase in the licence fees relating to Dangerous Wild Animal Licences, as set out in the report and Appendix 1.

The Committee discussed costing surplus figures related to paragraph 3.4; a timeline for reviewing figures; new DBS requirements; training; and the deficit as referenced in paragraph 4.1 of the report.

The Committee requested an update on its previous request for child safeguarding training and disability awareness training, as referenced in bullet point 14 of Appendix 1. Officers explained that the Council was currently looking for suppliers to implement the training programs.

The Committee queried its previous request in respect of officers providing an expanded list of MOT providers to taxi and private hire licensees. Officers explained that the priority

had been the implementation of the new guidance and the fixed door sign rollout, but that the matter was in hand.

Resolved:

That Full Council be recommended to approve the licensing fees proposed within Appendix 1 to apply from 1 April 2022.

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