

# Agenda



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## A MEETING OF THE

# General Licensing Committee

WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 21 MAY 2015 AT 6.05 PM OR ON THE RISING OF THE PRECEDING MEETING OF THE LICENSING ACTS COMMITTEE

FOUNTAIN CONFERENCE CENTRE, HOWBERY PARK, CROWMARSH GIFFORD

### Members of the Committee:

To be confirmed at the annual meeting of Council on 21 May 2015

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- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Minutes of the previous meeting** (Pages 3 - 4)

To adopt and sign as a correct record the minutes of the committee meeting held on 27 February 2015 (previously published).

### **3 Appointment of taxi licensing panels**

**Purpose:** to agree the appointment of sub-committees known as Taxi Licensing Panels to consider matters delegated to these under the council's Taxi licensing Policy.

**Recommendation:** to:

- appoint sub-committees comprising any three members, or their appointed substitutes, of the General Licensing Committee;
- agree that the sub-committees be known as taxi licensing panels;
- appoint each member or substitute of the General Licensing Committee to serve on any taxi licensing panel which is convened so as to include her or him in its membership;
- authorise each taxi licensing panel to discharge all functions relating to matters referred to the committee or to its sub-committees by the council's licensing officer under the Taxi Licensing Policy.
- agree that, wherever possible, applications should be heard by a panel comprising the chairman or vice-chairman of the committee plus two other members of the Committee, but that this should not affect the principle that any three members or their substitutes of the Committee will constitute a properly appointed panel;
- authorise the head of legal and democratic services to invite an appropriate panel to conduct a scheduled hearing having regard to members' availability and eligibility to take part and ensuring that as far as possible all members of the committee have the opportunity to conduct hearings.

MARGARET REED

Head of Legal and Democratic Services