

REPORT OF THE LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE AND STATUTORY LICENSING COMMITTEE

1. This report sets out a brief summary of the main items considered at the meetings of the Licensing and Safety Committee and the Statutory Licensing Committee, both held on 19 July 2006.

Licensing and Safety Committee – 19 July 2006

High Street Chorley – Proposed re-appointment of 24 Hour Hackney Carriage Rank and Imposition of the Prohibition of Vehicular Waiting

2. We received a report on the proposal for the re-appointment of a 24-hour hackney carriage rank on the north side of High Street, Chorley, in conjunction with the imposition of a prohibition of vehicular waiting.
3. We agreed that subject to the formal views of the Chief Constable the hackney carriage rank be re-appointed.

Applications for Licence to Drive Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicles within the Borough of Chorley

4. The Committee received two requests to consider applications for a private hire vehicle drivers licence.
5. The first application we considered indicated that checks made with the Criminal Records Bureau had revealed that the applicant had criminal convictions and that the grant of the licence could only be made by the Committee.
6. The second application related to the applicant's driving licence stating that she had held a full DVLA driving licence since August 2004. An applicant for a hackney carriage/private hire drivers licence should be over 21 years of age and have three years driving experience as a holder of a full driving licence.
7. Enquiries made had revealed that the applicant had no driving convictions recorded on her driving licence and a Criminal Records Bureau check had revealed that there were no driving convictions.
8. We agreed to grant a hackney carriage/private hire drivers licence to the two applicants.

Statutory Licensing Committee – 19 July 2006

9. We considered a report requesting the Committee to approve the draft Statement of Principles as required by the Gambling Act 2005.
10. The report provided further and updated information from previous reports to the Committee following the release of Regulations and Government Orders by the Government.
11. A timetable for implementation was submitted indicating that consultation would take place between 24 July and 13 October 2006, with the final draft prepared and approved by Council at its meeting on 19 December 2006.

Recommendation

12. The Council is recommended to note this report.

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There are no background papers to this report.