Minutes of a meeting of the Adur Licensing Committee 11 March 2024 at 7.00 pm

Councillor Mandy Buxton (Chair)
*Councillor Vee Barton (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Robina Baine Councillor Tony Bellasis Councillor Jim Funnell *Councillor Paul Mansfield *Councillor Catherine Arnold

Councillor Jude Harvey Councillor Julian Shinn Councillor Julia Watts *Councillor Ann Bridges

*Absent

ADC - LC/14/23-24 Declaration of Interests / Substitute Members

There were no substitute Members present.

There were no declarations of interest.

ADC - LC/15/23-24 Public Question Time

There were no questions from the public.

ADC - LC/16/23-24 Members Questions

There were no questions from Members.

ADC - LC/17/23-24 Minutes

Resolved: that the minutes of the committee meeting of the 13 November 2023 and the sub committees on the 13 November and 5 December 2023 be approved as the correct records.

ADC - LC/18/23-24 Items Raised Under Urgency Provisions

There were no urgent items.

ADC - LC/19/23-24 Adur Fees and Charges Consultation Committee Report

The Officer presented the report explaining that no representations had been received. He clarified for Members that although Taxi Licensing is ideally a cost neutral element of the Council Services. The figures for 2022/23 show a deficit. The Officer explained that this was partly due to a change that was made to the way drivers were licensed due to Covid, i.e. 1 year licence instead of the regular 3 year duration.

The Committee Members proposed acceptance of the Officers recommendations. This was seconded and voted in favour of unanimously

Resolved: The Committee agreed to note that no responses were received following the Council placing a notice in a local newspaper setting out the changes to the vehicle and operator fees and inviting representations on those changes within 28 days. The Licensing Committee recommended to Council that it formally ratifies the fees and that they shall come into effect on 1 April 2024.

The meeting ended at 7.11 pm	

Chair