# RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO LICENSING COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No. 7

meeting date: 13 SEPTEMBER 2016
title: ANNUAL TAXI MEETING
submitted by: CHIEF EXECUTIVE
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#### 1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform Committee of the arrangements for and agenda of the annual taxi meeting.
- 1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities
  - Community Objectives }
  - Corporate Priorities }
     The Council aims to be a well-managed authority these proposals support that objective.
  - Other Considerations -

#### 2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council has previously held an annual public meeting with its private hire and hackney carriage licence holders. These have not been held since due to the lack of interest from licence holders at the last meeting no licence holders attended.
- 2.2 The Council has now received a request from one of its licence holders for a public meeting. The requested listed a number of items to be discussed. In addition to these the Council has a number of proposals which it wishes to discuss with licence holders. The agenda for the meeting will be as follows:
  - 1. Unlicensed vehicles/drivers plying for hire in Ribble Valley
  - 2. Hackney Carriage licence holders from other boroughs carrying out private hire work in Ribble Valley
  - 3. Staff availability for appointments
  - 4. Ranks
  - 5. DBS checks for operators and vehicle licence holders
  - 6. Issues arising from the report into South Ribble Council
  - 7. Implementation of the Council's convictions policy
  - 8. AOB

### 3 ISSUES

- 3.1 The issues raised above will be discussed with licence holders at a public meeting which will follow the Committee meeting on 13 September 2016. All licence holders have been advised of the time and date of the meeting. The police and highway authority have also been invited to attend.
- 3.2 There will be an opportunity to discuss these issues in Committee prior to the meeting. It is hoped that all Committee members will then attend the public meeting with licence holders.

# 4 RISK ASSESSMENT

- 4.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications
  - Resources No implications identified
  - Technical, Environmental and Legal No implications identified.
  - Political No implications identified.
  - Reputation No implications identified.
  - Equality & Diversity No implications identified.

# 5 **CONCLUSION**

5.1 Committee is asked to note the contents of the report.

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