

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

At a meeting of the **LICENSING COMMITTEE** held in Council Chamber, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford on Wednesday, 12 September 2012

PRESENT

Cllr L Birt (Chairman)
Cllr K Janes (Vice-Chairman)

Cllrs R D Berry
D Bowater
I Dalgarno
C C Gomm

Cllrs Mrs D B Green
R B Pepworth
N Warren

Apologies for Absence: Cllr Mrs M Mustoe

Substitutes: Cllr J A G Saunders
A Shadbolt

Officers in Attendance: Miss H Bell Committee Services Officer
Mrs J Borthwick Service Manager, Public Manager
Mrs M James Licensing and Enforcement Officer

L/12/10 **Chairman's Announcements and Communications**

The Chairman asked Members to stand in silent tribute in memory of Councillor Peter Vickers who had recently passed away.

L/12/11 **Minutes**

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2012 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

L/12/12 **Members' Interests**

No declarations of interest were made.

L/12/13 **Petitions**

No petitions were received.

L/12/14 **Questions, Statements or Deputations**

The Committee received representations in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Annex 1 of part A4 of the constitution.

L/12/15 **Application for an increase in Hackney Carriage Fares**

The Committee received and considered a report of the Director of Sustainable Communities seeking consideration of approving an application for an increase in hackney carriage fares with effect from 1 October 2012.

The report advised that the last increase in fares for Hackney Carriages took effect from 2 January 2009. In May 2012, a request for an increase in Hackney Carriage fares was received from a member of the trade, 82 members of the trade agreed with the request. A copy of the letter was attached to the report. One objection was received.

A copy of neighbouring local authorities hackney carriage fares were appended to the report.

RESOLVED

That an increase in hackney Carriage fees as set out at Appendix A to the minutes be approved with effect from 1 October 2012.

(Note: The meeting commenced at 9.30 a.m. and concluded at 9.55 a.m.)

Chairman

Dated