LICENSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION COMMITTEE

MEETING, 16th FEBRUARY, 2016

Present – Councillors Donaghy (Chairman), Haworth (Vice-Chairman), C. Burrows, Bury, J. Byrne (as deputy for Councillor L. Byrne), Chadwick, Mrs Fairclough, Graham, Martin, Morgan (as deputy for Councillor Haslam), Murray, Richardson and Wild.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L. Byrne, Greenhalgh, Haslam and Watters.

Councillor Donaghy in the Chair.

60. STATEMENT OF FITNESS AND SUITABILITY (PRIVATE HIRE, HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND SOCIAL NEEDS TRANSPORT)

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out the details of a draft Statement of Fitness and Suitability (Private Hire, Hackney Carriage and Social Needs Transport) for the purposes of consultation.

The report set out details of the background to the production of the Statement including that it would be effective for five years and also indicated that the consultation would run for a period of four weeks.

Members in their deliberations referred to the definition of furious driving and once again highlighted matters concerning the importance of ensuring that safeguarding procedures were maintained.

Resolved - That approval be given for the draft Policy to be subject to a consultation exercise, as set out in the report.

The Licensing and Environmental regulation Committee (Acting as the Licensing Act, 2003 Committee) for the following Item.

61. LICENSING ACT 2003, REVIEW OF STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out details of the draft Statement of Licensing Policy for the Borough for the period 2016 to 2021.

This provides an opportunity to develop the Council's approach to administering the Licensing Act, 2003, taking into account other related policies and strategies.

It also outlined how the Licensing Authority would act to promote the four current licensing objectives.

Resolved -That approval be given for the draft Policy to be subject to a consultation exercise, as set out in the report.

(The meeting started at 5.50pm and finished at 6.08pm)