

REPORT OF THE REGULATORY COMMITTEE

Meetings Held on 23rd May and 4th July, 2006

Membership:

Councillors: R.I. Matthews (Chairman), Brig. P. Jones CBE (Vice-Chairman) Mrs. S.P.A. Daniels, G.W. Davis, D.J. Fleet, J.G.S. Guthrie, J.W. Hope, T.W. Hunt, J.W. Newman, R. Preece, D.C. Taylor, P.G. Turpin.

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 SECTION 119 PROPOSED PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER – FOOTPATH CG3 (PART) IN THE PARISH OF CODDINGTON

1. The Committee has granted an application for a Public Path Diversion Order in respect of part of Footpath CG3 at Coddington. The revised route is acceptable under the provisions of the Act and there has been successful consultation with interested parties, the local parish council and the local Ward Councillor.

HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE REVIEW OF CONDITIONS, INTRODUCTION OF A TAXI POLICY AND PENALTY POINTS SCHEME UPDATE

1. A progress report was received about consultation with the hackney carriage and private hire trade about:-
 - a) vehicle licence conditions;
 - b) driver licence conditions;
 - c) operator licence conditions;
 - d) taxi licensing policy;
 - e) penalty point scheme

The first phase of consultation has been completed with the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Association Steering Group and all the licensed operators and interested parties. The second phase has commenced and seeks the views of all licensed drivers and the general public. The results and recommendations arising from the process will be submitted to the Committee in September for consideration

APPLICATIONS FOR DUAL HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCES – LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976

2. Seven applications for the renewal or grant of Hackney Carriage/Private Hire drivers licences were referred to the Committee in accordance with the Council's terms and conditions and the advice on the interpretation of spent convictions and medical requirements. The applicants and their representatives gave details of the grounds for their applications and they provided the Committee with the circumstances giving rise to their offences or health situations. Having considered all the facts put forward by the Licensing Manager, the applicants and their representatives, the Committee decided that the Licensing Manager should be authorised to renew four applications and grant one new application because it considered that the applicants were fit and

proper persons under the meaning of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. The Committee refused one application because they did not consider that the applicant fulfilled the requirements and the remaining application was deferred for further information.

**R.I. MATTHEWS
CHAIRMAN
REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- Agenda papers from the meetings of the Regulatory Committee held on 23rd May and 4th July, 2006.