

**Committee:**            **General Licensing Committee**

**Date:**                **Tuesday 15 April 2025**

**Time:**               **6.30 pm**

**Venue**                **39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD**

### **Membership**

Councillor Rebecca Biegel  
Councillor Becky Clarke MBE  
Councillor Nick Cotter  
Councillor Lesley McLean  
Councillor Chris Pruden  
Councillor Barry Wood

Councillor Besmira Brasha  
Councillor Gemma Coton  
Councillor Andrew Crichton  
Councillor Ian Middleton  
Councillor John Willett

## **AGENDA**

- 1.     Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members**
- 2.     Appointment of Chairman for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2024-25**
- 3.     Appointment of Vice-Chairman for the remainder of Municipal Year 2024-25**
- 4.     Declarations of Interest**

Members are asked to declare any interests and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.
- 5.     Urgent Business**

**6. Minutes (Pages 5 - 12)**

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the (former) Licensing Committee held on 18 January 2023, 23 May 2023 and 22 May 2024.

**7. Chairman's Announcements**

To receive communications from the Chairman.

**8. New Cherwell District Council Taxi Licensing Policy (Pages 13 - 136)**

Report of Health Protection, Compliance and Licensing Manager

**Purpose of report**

To present to the General Licensing Committee a draft taxi licensing policy for hackney carriage and private hire to be agreed for consultation with the public and the trade.

**Recommendations**

The General Licensing Committee resolves:-

- 1.1 To approve the new draft Cherwell District Council Taxi Licensing Policy for consultation with the trade and members of the public.

**Councillors are requested to collect any post from their pigeon hole in the Members Room at the end of the meeting.**

**Information about this Meeting**

**Apologies for Absence**

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**Declarations of Interest**

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item.

Members are reminded that any member who is two months in arrears with Council Tax must declare the fact and may speak but not vote on any decision which involves budget setting, extending or agreeing contracts or incurring expenditure not provided for in the agreed budget for a given year and could affect calculations on the level of Council Tax.

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