City of York Council

Committee Minutes

Meeting	Licensing And Regulatory Committee
Date	4 October 2022
Present	Councillors Cuthbertson (Chair), Melly (Vice- Chair), D'Agorne, Galvin, Hook, Hunter, Looker, Mason, D Myers, Norman And Wells
Apologies	Councillors Orrell, Barker And Wann
In Attendance	Matt Boxall (Head of Public Protection) Sandra Branigan (Senior Solicitor) Lesley Cooke (Licensing Manager) David Cowley (Taxi Licensing Manager)

PART B - MATTERS REFERRED TO COUNCIL

15. New Hackney Carriage Licences - Referral to Council [17:38]

Further to the decision of the Committee on 7 June 2022, and the Executive on 28 July 2022, Members were asked to refer to Council the decision to amend the council's Taxi Licensing Policy in respect of the *number* of hackney carriage licences issued. The Head of Public Protection clarified that the ten new licences issued did not change the total number of licences being issued as three licences had not been renewed. Members then unanimously:

- Recommended: That Council approve the issuing of *ten* new hackney carriage vehicle licences (three that have not been renewed and seven additional licences), bringing the total number to 190.
- Reason: To help meet unmet demand for hackney carriage vehicles, particularly from users with a disability, and coupled with the proposed specification for those newly licensed vehicles provide a more environmentally friendly and easily recognisable hackney carriage fleet in the city in response to the declared climate emergency and continuing desire to improve air quality.

Cllr Cuthbertson, Chair [The meeting started 17:35 and finished at 18:07].