

Notice of meeting of

Licensing & Regulatory Committee

To: Councillors Firth, Gillies (Chair), Horton, Looker and Moore (Vice-Chair)

Date: Friday, 4 September 2009

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Guildhall

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Interest

At this point, Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

2. Minutes

(Pages 1 - 4)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 3 July 2009.

3. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting, members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Committee's remit can do so. The deadline for registering is **5:00 pm on Thursday 3 September 2009**.

**4. Proposed Introduction of Driving Standards (Pages 5 - 14)
Agency Private Hire and Hackney Carriage
Driving Assessment for New Applicants.**

This report requests that Members consider amending the Council's existing policy for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire drivers licence applications by introducing a requirement for new applicants to with their application a certificate of completion of a driving standards assessment for taxi drivers as provided by the Driving Standards Agency.

**5. Designated Public Places Order - Clarence
Gardens. (Pages 15 - 18)**

This report advises Members of a petition presented at Council on 9 July 2009 requesting that the council "ban the consumption of alcohol in Clarence Gardens" following concerns of an increasing level of disturbance resulting from "inappropriate drinking" and the actions taken by Officers.

**6. Any other business which the Chair decides is
urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.**

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