# Referral from Licensing Committee – Review of Hackney Carriage Tariffs



Report to: Cabinet

**Date:** 11 July 2024

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**Key Decision:** No

Forward Plan: Forward Plan number 1017266

**Call In:** This item is subject to call in procedures

Corporate Mission: Deliver High-Performing Council Services

Wards Affected: None Specifically

# **Executive Summary**

A Section 65 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 gives local authorities power to determine maximum rates and fares charged by Hackney Carriages. A submission from the Hackney Carriage trade has been put forward for consideration by the Council.

### Recommended that:

A The Hackney Carriage Tariff Schedule, as attached in Appendix A to the report, be adopted.

B The Assistant Director Planning and Environment be authorised to take the necessary steps as stated in the original report to implement the tariff changes with effect from 5 August 2024.

### Reason for decision

- A Section 65 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 gives local authorities power to determine maximum rates and fares charged by Hackney Carriages.
- **B** Representatives of the Hackney Carriage trade recognised by the Council for consultation purposes have proposed increases to the Hackney Carriage Tariffs.
- **C** Officers collated an Equality Impact Assessment, benchmarking information and figures from previous tariffs.

# **Other Options**

A No other options were considered.

# Background

1. The Licensing Committee has conducted a review of Hackney Carriage charges and approved the tariffs as set out in Appendix A to the report.

# Issues/Proposals

2. At its meeting on 18 June 2024, the Committee agreed its recommendations to Cabinet which are included in the attached appendices.

### **Implications**

As contained in the original report to the Licensing Committee (attached as Appendix 1 to this report).

# **Appendices**

Appendix 1 - Original report to the Licensing Committee on 18 June 2024.

Appendix A - Proposed Tariff

Appendix B - Current Tariff Dec 2023

Appendix C - Previous Tariffs for 2022, 2020 and 2014

Appendix D - Equality Impact Assessment

**Background Papers** 

None

Glossary of terms/abbreviations used

None