

**LICENSING COMMITTEE****THURSDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2007**

**PRESENT:-** Councillors Brian Mattock, Michael Bray, Brian Ford, David Glaholm, Russell Holland and Robert Wright.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Steve Allsopp, Andrew Bennett, John Ballman, Sinead Darker, Melanie Duff, Mark Edwards, David Sammels, Steve Wakefield and David Wood.

**24. Declarations of Interest**

The Chair reminded Members of the need to declare any known interests in any matters to be considered at the meeting. Councillor Brian Ford made a personal and non-prejudicial declaration of interest in respect of Agenda Item No. 4 as he was the Vice-Chair of the Wiltshire Police Authority.

**25. Minutes**

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2007, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**26. Proposed Designated Public Place Scheme to cover public land at the Orbital Retail Park and The Broad Street Area**

The Committee considered a report of the Council's Licensing Manager setting out a recommendation to implement new Designated Public Place Orders covering the land at the Northern Orbital retail Park and in the Broad Street Area.

Resolved – (1) That, officers undertake consultations with Ward Councillors regarding the extension of the Broad Street Area Designated Public Place Order to cover the area between County Road and Ocotal Way.

(2) That, further to (1) above, the Designated Public Place Orders covering the land at the Northern Orbital retail Park and the Broad Street Area be approved.

(3) That, further to (1) and (2) above, and subject to no responses being received during the advertisement period, Council be recommended to confirm the Designated Public Place Orders covering the land at the Northern Orbital retail Park and the Broad Street Area.

(4) That the proposals for signage for the Designated Public Place Orders, as set out in the report, be approved.

**27. Report - Hackney Fares 2007**

The Group Director, Environment and Regeneration submitted a report setting out proposals to increase Hackney Carriage fares from 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2008.

Resolved – (1) That, due to the concerns of this Committee in respect of the poor support received for the proposed Hackney Carriage Fare increases through the ballot of Hackney Carriage Drivers no action be taken at this time regarding the proposal set out in the report.

(2) That, further to (1) above, the Group Director, Environment and Regeneration be requested to advise the Hackney Carriage Drivers of this

Committee's concerns and ask them to consider their proposals for fare increases before arranging another ballot of all Hackney Drivers regarding proposals for increasing fares.

(3) That, further to (2) above, and following the completion of the new ballot, the Group Director, Environment and Regeneration report the ballot results, and proposals for fare increases to this Committee in the new year for consideration.

EIGHT YEAR AREA AVERAGES COMPARED WITH THE NATIONAL AVERAGE AS AT FEB 2008

NATIONAL AVERAGE	
1999	£3.12
2000	£3.40
2001	£3.50
2002	£3.72
2003	£3.97
2004	£4.01
2005	£4.19
2006	£4.48
2008	£4.71

EAST ANGLIA	
1999	£3.14
2000	£3.21
2001	£3.58
2002	£3.76
2003	£3.97
2004	£4.01
2005	£4.18
2006	£4.49
2008	£4.68

MIDLANDS	
1999	£3.02
2000	£3.06
2001	£3.46
2002	£3.66
2003	£3.86
2004	£3.94
2005	£4.14
2006	£4.43
2008	£4.57

NORTH	
1999	£2.93
2000	£3.00
2001	£3.28
2002	£3.45
2003	£3.73
2004	£3.78
2005	£3.92
2006	£4.22
2008	£4.39

SOUTH	
1999	£3.44
2000	£3.48
2001	£3.83
2002	£4.08
2003	£4.27
2004	£4.39
2005	£4.57
2006	£4.82
2008	£5.11

SOUTH WEST	
1999	£3.37
2000	£3.39
2001	£3.85
2002	£4.09
2003	£4.20
2004	£4.33
2005	£4.54
2006	£4.91
2008	£5.13

SCOTLAND	
1999	£2.92
2000	£2.92
2001	£3.21
2002	£3.35
2003	£3.55
2004	£3.60
2005	£3.74
2006	£4.05
2008	£4.27

WALES	
1999	£2.88
2000	£3.09
2001	£3.39
2002	£3.49
2003	£3.61
2004	£3.71
2005	£3.90
2006	£4.09
2008	£4.32

EIGHT YEAR PERCENTAGE INCREASES PER AREA

NATIONAL AVERAGE	
<b>50.96%</b>	

EAST ANGLIA	
<b>49.0%</b>	

MIDLANDS	
<b>51.3%</b>	

NORTH	
<b>49.8%</b>	

SOUTH	
<b>48.55</b>	

SOUTH WEST	
<b>52.22%</b>	

SCOTLAND	
<b>46.2%</b>	

WALES	
<b>50.0%</b>	

Figures in green boxes in these columns indicate a fare level equal to or better than the 12 local Area Averages

Figures in red indicate a fare level lower than the 12 local Area Averages

THE 12 LOCAL AREA AVERAGES	
1999	£3.36
2000	£3.41
2001	£3.91
2002	£4.06
2003	£4.24
2004	£4.37
2005	£4.61
2006	£4.78
2007	£5.14

VALE OF WHITE HORSE	
1999	£3.85
2000	£3.85
2001	£4.45
2002	£4.45
2003	£4.65
2004	£5.30
2005	£5.30
2006	£5.30
2007	£5.70

BATH AND N.E. SOMERSET	
1999	£3.30
2000	£3.30
2001	£3.90
2002	£4.00
2003	£4.40
2004	£4.60
2005	£4.80
2006	£5.00
2007	£5.40

WEST OXFORD	
1999	£3.00
2000	£3.00
2001	£4.35
2002	£4.35
2003	£4.35
2004	£4.35
2005	£4.35
2006	£4.35
2007	£5.40

SALISBURY	
1999	£3.70
2000	£3.70
2001	£4.10
2002	£4.10
2003	£4.10
2004	£4.50
2005	£4.50
2006	£4.80
2007	£5.20

WEST BERKS	
1999	£3.40
2000	£4.00
2001	£4.00
2002	£4.10
2003	£4.30
2004	£4.30
2005	£4.50
2006	£5.10
2007	£5.20

WEST WILTSHIRE	
1999	£3.35
2000	£3.35
2001	£3.77
2002	£3.77
2003	£4.08
2004	£4.08
2005	£4.70
2006	£4.85
2007	£5.14

THE 12 LOCAL AREA AVERAGES	
<b>52.97%</b>	

VALE OF WHITE HORSE	
<b>58.87%</b>	

BATH and N.E. SOMERSET	
<b>47.05%</b>	

WEST OXFORD	
<b>35.14%</b>	

SALISBURY	
<b>40.54%</b>	

WEST BERKS	
<b>52.94%</b>	

WEST WILTSHIRE	
<b>53.43%</b>	

SWINDON	
1999	£3.21
2000	£3.21
2001	£3.60
2002	£3.80
2003	£3.80
2004	£3.80
2005	£5.10
2006	£5.10
2007	£5.10

CHELTENHAM	
1999	£3.40
2000	£3.40
2001	£4.00
2002	£4.00
2003	£4.60
2004	£4.60
2005	£4.60
2006	£4.60
2007	£5.00

STROUD	
1999	£3.70
2000	£3.70
2001	£4.20
2002	£4.20
2003	£4.40
2004	£4.40
2005	£4.70
2006	£4.70
2007	£5.00

NORTH WILTSHIRE	
1999	£3.10
2000	£3.10
2001	£3.40
2002	£3.60
2003	£3.60
2004	£4.00
2005	£4.00
2006	£4.00
2007	£4.90

COTSWOLD	
1999	£3.30
2000	£3.30
2001	£3.60
2002	£4.20
2003	£4.20
2004	£4.20
2005	£4.20
2006	£4.80
2007	£4.80

KENNET	
1999	£3.00
2000	£3.00
2001	£3.50
2002	£4.10
2003	£4.35
2004	£4.35
2005	£4.60
2006	£4.80
2007	£4.80

SWINDON	
<b>58.87%</b>	

CHELTENHAM	
<b>47.05%</b>	

STROUD	
<b>35.14%</b>	

NORTH WILTSHIRE	
<b>58.06%</b>	

COTSWOLD	
<b>45.45%</b>	

KENNET	
<b>60.00%</b>	

Appendix E

**Comparison of Fares – Proposed Hackney Carriage fare table against current Private Hire fares**

<b>Mileage</b>	<b>Current Hackney Carriage fares</b>	<b>Proposed Hackney Carriage Fares</b>	<b>Current Private Hire fares</b>
1 mile	£3.50	£4.50	£4.00
2 miles	£5.50	£6.50	£4.80
3 miles	£7.30	£8.30	£5.80
4 miles	£9.30	£10.30	£6.80
5 miles	£11.10	£12.10	£7.80