MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING, TAXI LICENSING & RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE HELD AT BY TEAMS ON THURSDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2023

PRESENT

County Councillor K Lewis (Chair)

County Councillors G D Jones, T Colbert, H Hulme, A Jones, G E Jones, C Kenyon-Wade, E Vaughan and D H Williams

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillors A Davies, D Edwards, P James, E Roderick and J Wilkinson.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chair was authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2023.

Taxi and other licensing

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4. TAXI LICENSING FEES 2024/25

The Committee considered the report regarding the Taxi Licensing fees for the period April 2024-25 for public consultation in line with statutory requirements. The Committee noted that two proposed fees had increased and one had decreased and that the fees were to cover the costs of the service and not to make a profit. In response to a question the Licensing Team Manager advised that a school transport bus with eight or less passengers would be licenced under this licensing regime. The Committee noted that the Head of Finance supported the recommendation.

RESOLVED

that taxi fees for 2024/25 are approved to go out for consultation in the local press in line with statutory requirements and if not objected to will be in place for 1st April 2024. Any objections to the fees will come back to the committee for consideration.

5. MINUTES OF TAXI LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES

The Chair presiding at the Taxi Review Panel held on 12 October 2023 was authorised to sign the minutes as a correct record.

Planning

6. DECISIONS OF THE HEAD OF PROPERTY, PLANNING AND PUBLIC PROTECTION ON DELEGATED APPLICATIONS

The Committee received for information a list of decisions made by the Head of Property, Planning and Public Protection during the period between 14 September 2023 and 15 November 2023.

County Councillor K Lewis (Chair)