

LICENSING BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 2022 at 10.00 am in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor Sam Bambridge (Chair); Councillors Rogers, Ara, Currie, Dexter, Potts, M Saunders, Scobie, Shrubbs and Wright

11. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Huxley.

12. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

13. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Saunders proposed, Councillor Scobie seconded and Members agreed that the minutes be approved as a correct record of the meeting held on 26 July 2022.

14. LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

Councillor Scobie proposed, Councillor Shrubbs seconded and Members agreed that the minutes be approved as a correct record of the meeting held on 3 August 2022.

15. DRIVER TRAINING AS AN ENFORCEMENT OPTION FOR LICENSING BOARD

Ms Stocker, Senior Licencing Officer introduced this proposal to the committee. The report details remedial driving courses and disability awareness courts be used as an enforcement option for the Licensing Board to consider.

This would be in response to complaints of bad driving and that they would be unsuspended and their license given back following the completion of these courses.

Following the discussion, Members of the Board agreed the following:

“Where the Licensing Board deem appropriate action to be suspension of the licence until the licence holder undertakes additional training, the licence holder will need to take a remedial driving course and send confirmation to the Licensing Team that the course has successfully been completed before their licence can be reinstated; with the original expiry date still in force.

The fee and any expenses incurred in attending the course will be paid directly by the licence holder.”

16. VEHICLE PLATES FOR SCRAP METAL COLLECTORS

Ms Stocker, Senior Licencing Officer introduced this proposal to the committee. She proposed consideration for the introduction of vehicle identification plates for Scrap Metal vehicles.

This would be in response to lots of licensed vehicles being stopped frequently and noticing a similar scheme in Dover.

Following the discussion, Members of the Board agreed the following:

“To agree the introduction of Scrap Metal Identification Plates”

Meeting concluded: 10.09 am