

## **TAXI CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, 10th April, 2019**

Present:-

Representing Chesterfield Borough Council:

Councillor            K Caulfield (Chair)  
Councillor            J Burrows  
Trevor Durham

Representing the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Trade:

Stephen Atkin  
Jim Brookbank  
Ann Dickens

Representing Derbyshire County Council:

Simon Tranter

Representing Derbyshire Police:

Inspector Dave Nicholls

27    **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' AND OFFICERS' INTERESTS  
RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

No declarations of interest were received.

28    **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Chris Brown, Stephen Oliver and Ian Waller.

29    **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 30 January, 2019 were agreed as a true record.



consultation would be undertaken leading to a decision by the County Council Strategic Director. It was expected that the whole process would take 3 – 4 months, and it was suggested that the timescales be coordinated as far as possible with the development work on the ground.

### **33 ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE LICENSING TEAM SINCE THE LAST MEETING**

Further to Minute No. 25, it was confirmed that the Chair and Councillor Burrows had met with Chris Brown and Mandy Shaw about the legislative requirements for community transport vehicles working on school transport contracts, and Chris Brown had agreed to pursue these with the local MP.

Trevor Durham reported that during the past three months one driver's licence had been revoked and two appeals against revocation had been successfully defended.

The computerised knowledge test was due to go live at the end of April at the lower cost of £50, resulting in more tests being available.

39 vehicles had failed the six-monthly vehicle test, with it being necessary to issue penalty points on two occasions and warnings on six occasions.

It was noted that the Council had responded to the recent national government consultation on taxi and private hire licensing entitled 'Protecting Users', details of which had been circulated to the trade. Trade representatives were encouraged to respond to the consultation before the 22 April deadline.

It was noted that invitations for the nomination of trade representatives to serve on the Committee from June, 2019 to May, 2021 would be distributed shortly, to be received by 20 May, 2019.

### **34 THANKS**

The Chair thanked all the representatives and officers for their contribution to the work of the Committee as this was the last meeting of the current Council year prior to the Borough Council elections on 2 May, 2019. She particularly thanked Councillors Burrows and V Diouf who were not standing for re-election.