

Report to:	PUBLIC PROTECTION SUB COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Sharon Davies, Head of Licensing Service
Date of Meeting:	25 May 2016

DONKEY DRIVER LICENCE CONDITIONS

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider the conditions attached to a Donkey Driver Licence

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To add a condition to the licence that, when working on the beach, licensed donkey drivers shall wear the badge issued to them by the Council in such a position and manner as to be plainly and distinctly visible.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 It is important that such persons are easily identifiable as being licensed by the Council both by members of the public and enforcement officers.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

To not add such a condition to the licence for Donkey Drivers which will continue to cause the enforcement problems outlined in Paragraph 5.2.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is: "The Economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool."

5.0 Background Information

5.1 As part of the licensing process successful applicants for a Donkey Driver Licence are issued with both a paper licence and a credit card sized identification badge

containing the licensed person's photograph.

5.2 Currently there is no condition on the licence requiring drivers to wear their badge when working on the beach. This has over the last twelve months caused problems for members of the enforcement team trying to establish the licence status of individuals found to be working with donkeys on the beach.

5.3 The Sub-Committee are asked to consider adding the following condition to donkey driver licences:

5.4 "The licence holder when working with donkeys on the beach shall wear a current and valid badge issued to them by Blackpool Council identifying them as a licensed donkey driver in such a position and manner as to be plainly and distinctly visible."

5.5 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? Yes

5.6 **List of Appendices:**
None

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 The Head of Licensing Services will be represented to advise the Sub-Committee

7.0 Human Resources considerations:

7.1 None

8.0 Equalities considerations:

8.1 None

9.0 Financial considerations:

9.1 None

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 None

11.0 Ethical considerations:

11.1 None

12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

12.1 None

13.0 Background papers:

13.1 None