

**Extract from the minutes of the Licensing Committee meeting of 23 January 2019**

**75. Urgent Items - Changes to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy**

The Chairman agreed that the item below should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency, in view of the need to refer the proposed changes in the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy to Full Council on 20 February 2019

The Committee was asked to consider a report by Mr Ruder, Licensing, Food & Safety Manager, regarding changes to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy.

Mrs White addressed the Committee and informed it of the changes to the policy set out in paragraphs 5.1 – 5.4. An additional key change was highlighted; it was proposed to add a specific paragraph to the Convictions Policy to deal with a wide variety of matters that could be brought together under the class of 'Exploitation'. The category would be included within the Level 1 Serious Crimes section with a 12 point penalty which lasted for an indefinite period of time.

*RESOLVED* that the changes to the Policy be agreed and recommended to full Council for approval.