STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting29th November 2012

1. <u>Title of Item/Report</u>

The Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licensing Policy - Amendment

2. <u>Record of the Decision</u>

Consideration was given to a report on an amendment to the Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Policy. The report sought approval to amend the Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licensing Policy in respect of Appendix P to resolve conflicts between the contents of the policy and that appendix.

On 19 April 2012 Cabinet approved the revised version of the Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licensing Policy following consultations with the trade and other interested stakeholders (minute CAB 5/12 refers).

The revised version contained new provisions relating to the licensing of horse drawn hackney carriages and their drivers and included a new appendix P detailing conditions that would apply to such licences. These provisions had been determined following a previous report to the Licensing Committee and a consultation exercise with the trade and interested stakeholders.

It had come to light that an incorrect version of Appendix P was included in the policy document submitted to and approved by Cabinet. This did not reflect what the policy intended to achieve and in relation to the qualifications in respect of drivers was in conflict with both the policy and statutory requirements.

It was proposed therefore that Appendix P in the policy be replaced with a new version, as attached to the report.

RESOLVED that the proposal to replace Appendix P of the Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licensing Policy with the revised version presented at Appendix One to this report be approved.

3. <u>Reasons for the Decision</u>

The reasons for the recommendation being supported are to ensure that the policy reflects the decision agreed by the Licensing Committee at Minute 43/10; the results of the consultation with the trade and interested stakeholders and the legislative requirements.

4. <u>Alternative Options Considered and Rejected</u>

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None

6. Details of any Dispensations

Not applicable

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight on Friday, 7th December 2012

Proper Officer 03 April 2012