LICENSING COMMITTEE

Present: Councillors Benstead (Chair), Smith (Vice-Chair), Austin, Gawthrope, McPherson, Meftah, O'Reilly, Owers, Pippas, Baigent and Bick

FOR ADOPTION BY THE COUNCIL

14/32/LIC Annual Review of Licensing Fees and Charges

The Committee received a report from the Licensing & Enforcement Manager.

The report referred to the City Councils responsibility for processing and issuing licences for a wide range of activities, setting out the fees and charges for licences and associated items, which it is proposed should be made with effect from 1st April 2015. The approved charges would be submitted to full Council to note on 26th February 2015.

Mr Wratten advised the Committee that Cambridge City Licensed Taxis were in agreement with the fees

In response to members' questions the Licensing & Enforcement Manager confirmed the following:

- i. The increase in charges for Skin Piercing Practitioners, reflected the fact that Officers spent more time undertaking diligent checks.
- ii. The Disclosure and Barring Service check was a set price.
- iii. The fees were linked to how much time an inspection and administration process took.
- iv. Profits of the businesses were not a consideration when setting fees.

The Committee:

Resolved (unanimously) to:

Approved the level of fees and charges with effect from the 1st April 2015, as set out in Appendix A of the Officer's report, and to request officers to communicate the charges to the trade and public.