LICENSING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 December 2010

<u>Present:</u> Councillors Parnell (Chair), Drake, Fitzgerald, Harris, Norris, Odgers, Osmond, Thomas and Willacy

<u>Apologies:</u> Councillor Simon Letts, Councillor Catherine McEwing, Councillor Jacqui Rayment and Councillor Ben Walker

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING) <u>RESOLVED</u> that the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2010 be approved and signed as a correct record.

14. OBJECTION TO TRADE REQUEST FOR VARIATION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARES

The Committee considered the report of the Solicitor to the Council concerning the determination of an objection to the proposed variation of the table of fares for the hire of hackney carriages. (Copy of the minutes circulated with the agenda and appended to the signed minutes).

Mr Griffiths (Southampton UNITE Cab Branch), Mr Johnson (Southampton Taxi Association), Mr P McMillan (UNITE Southampton Cab Section SE 621), Mr Romsey (Southampton Hackney Carriage Association) and Mr Smith (Objector / Hackney Carriage driver) were present and with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

RESOLVED

- that the objection to the request for a variation of the table of fares for the hire of Hackney Carriages in Southampton be not upheld;
- that the request for the variation of the table of fares for the hire of Hackney Carriages in Southampton from the Southampton Taxi Trade, be approved without amendment and to come into effect on 29th December 2010; and
- (iii) that the Solicitor to the Council be authorised to take any such action necessary to give effect to the Committee's decision.