CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL	**Regulatory Committee** Minutes - 22 November 2023

Attendance

Members of the Regulatory Committee

Cllr Zee Russell (Chair)
Cllr Rashpal Kaur (Vice-Chair)
Cllr Greg Brackenridge
Cllr Gillian Wildman
Cllr Sally Green
Cllr Jane Francis
Cllr Tersaim Singh
Cllr Jonathan Crofts
Cllr Bob Maddox

Employees

Greg Bickerdike	Licensing Manager
Paul Dosanjh	Service Manager - Trading Standards and Licensing Act
Ajoypal Simon	Section Leader Licensing
Ronald Sempebwa	Solicitor
Donna Cope	Democratic Services Officer

Part 1 – items open to the press and public

Item No.   *Title*

1   **Apologies for absence**
      Apologies were received from Councillor Asha Mattu.

2   **Declarations of interest**
      There were no declarations of interest made.

3   **Minutes of previous meeting**
      Resolved:
      That the minutes of the meeting of the Regulatory Committee held on 14 June 2023
      be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4   **Matters arising**
      There were no matters arising.

5 **Minutes - 23 October 2023 - Regulatory Sub-Committee**
Resolved:
That the minutes of the meeting of the Regulatory Sub-Committee held on 23 October 2023 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

6 **Removal of Private Hire Vehicle Operator Administrative Charges**
Ajoypal Simon, Section Leader, presented the Removal of Private Hire Vehicle Operator Administrative Charges report, highlighting the key points. The report sought Committee approval for the removal of fees charged to private hire vehicle operators when updating their licence details. The removal of these fees would reduce the resource demand for taking the payment; reduce the likelihood of an operator delaying the notification of change in details; and reduce the cost for licence holders.

Councillor Rashpal Kaur moved the recommendations within the report and Councillor Gillian Wildman seconded the recommendations.

Resolved
That Members of the Regulatory Committee:
1. Approved the immediate removal of administrative charges levied upon private hire vehicle operators when updating their licence details.