

Minutes of the Cabinet held at the Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford on Thursday 28 August 2025

Chair - Councillor A T A Godfrey

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

R P Cooke - Resources Portfolio
R Kenney - Deputy Leader
G P K Pardesi - Leisure Portfolio

A N Pearce - Climate Change Portfolio

A F Reid - Economic Development and Planning Portfolio

Officers in attendance:

T Clegg - Chief Executive

G Stott - Deputy Chief Executive (Place)
J Allen - Democratic Services Officer

CAB20 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 24 July 2025 as published on 25 July 2025 were agreed as a correct record.

CAB21 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors I D Fordham, Environment Portfolio and J Hood, Community Portfolio.

CAB22 Taxi Licensing Policy and License Conditions 2025-30

Received a report informing Cabinet of the amended Taxi Licensing Policy and License Conditions 2025-30.

The Deputy Leader introduced the report in the absence of the Cabinet Member, Environment Portfolio noting the detail as contained within paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5.

Councillor Kenney concluded his comments by recommending that the proposals as set out in paragraph 2 be approved.

The Cabinet subsequently voted on the recommendation, which was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that the proposals of the Deputy Leader, be approved as follows:

That:-

- (a) the date of 2030 for all vehicles to be either hybrid/electric or hydrogen fuelled remains, subject to review;
- (b) the Hackney carriages can now be black as well as white;
- (c) Proprietors of wheelchair accessible Hackney
 Carriages (WAVs) will, once the vehicle has been
 licensed by Stafford Borough Council for a period of
 eight consecutive years to that proprietor, be
 permitted to license a saloon vehicle as a Hackney
 Carriage if they wish to do so.

THIS ITEM IS NOT SUBJECT TO CALL IN AND WILL BE REFERRED TO COUNCIL ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2025.

CHAIR