

REPORT TO:	Licensing Committee
DATE:	19 th June, 2023
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SUBJECT:	Forward Work Programme 2023

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.2 To advise Members of the priorities of the Licensing Section, together with an update on the agreed work programme for the Licensing Committee for 2023.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 The priorities of the Licensing Section reflect the duty placed on the Authority in relation to its responsibilities in relation to its licensing function, and the effective regulation, control and enforcement of Licensees, and the Authority's commitment to safer communities and the development of the economy.
- 2.2 Due to unforeseen priorities, the Forward Work Programme approved by Members at a previous meeting has unfortunately had to be amended slightly and matters have been re-scheduled for consideration.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 Members will recall that at the last meeting in December 2022, Officers presented an updated work programme which was approved, however due to the recently published Welsh Government White Paper; Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle (PHV)(Wales) Bill, which at the time of writing this report is still under consultation until the 1st June 2023, the scheduled report on the review of the existing Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Statement of Policy has been postponed until the outcome of the White Paper is known. A revised Forward Work Programme can be found at Appendix A.

4. **RECOMMENDATION**

4.1 It is recommended that Members note the contents of the report, and

4.2 It is further recommended that Members consider and approve the revised Forward Work Programme detailed at Appendix A for 2023.