REPORT TO:	Licensing Committee
DATE:	13 September, 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 the remainder of 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} The Forward Work Programme approved by Members at a previous meeting has unfortunately had to be amended slightly and matters will be re-scheduled for consideration.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 Members will recall that at the last meeting in June 2023, Officers presented an updated work programme which was approved, however the scheduled review of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Statement of Policy has been further postponed until the outcome of the consultation of the recently published Welsh Government White Paper; Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle (PHV)(Wales) Bill 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 the remainder of 2023.