

### III DEMAND FOR TAXIS – REPORT OF TAXI SURVEY (AN15-2016)

Reference is made to the minute of meeting of the Licensing Committee on 27th June, 2013, wherein it was agreed *inter alia* to commission a survey on the demand for the services of taxis in Dundee to determine if there is any significant unmet demand for the purposes of Section 10 (3) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 if the number of taxis fell below 611. The number of taxis fell to 605 in May, 2015 a fresh survey report has now been received and is attached (**Appendix 2**). A copy of the Taxi Survey Report has also been made available on the Licensing pages of the website of Dundee City Council.

The clear conclusion which can be drawn from the report is that there is no significant unmet demand for taxi services in the city. At the time of the survey, there were 605 Licences. There are currently 603 Licences. The report does not state a lowest number at which there would be no significant unmet demand because this can only be assessed against the number of licences in existence at the time the survey is conducted. However, the report does say that a reduction of 10 to 595 taxis would have no effect on passenger delay (effectively meaning that there would still be no significant unmet demand with that number of licences) and that even a number as low as 562 is likely to mean a one minute delay for passengers.

The Committee's instructions are requested.