# Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Cabinet Digest

Report of Director of Technical & Environmental Services to

Licensing Committee

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**Proposal** 

Removal of Hackney Carriage Stands, Changes to Existing Hackney Carriage Stands and Creation of New Hackney Carriage Stands

#### Part I Public Agenda Item

#### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To review and consider amendments to and the creation of new Hackney Carriage stands within the Borough.
- 2. Recommendations
- 2.1 Hartington Road, Southend on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be removed.

2.2 Burdett Avenue, Westcliff on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be removed.

2.3 Oakengrange Drive, Southend on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be removed.

2.4 Westcliff Parade, Southend on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be removed.

2.5 Alexander Street, Southend on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be removed and a new stand for two spaces created immediately outside the New Empire Theatre to the easternmost end of the bus bay.

2.6 Bellhouse Lane, Leigh on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be enlarged to include an extra space (to the rear of the stand).

2.7 Belton Way East, Southend on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be moved forward to start at the commencement of the limited parking area.

# 2.8 Elmer Approach, Southend on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be removed from its current location and a new stand for four spaces be created in Farringdon Service Road on the east side of the car park just prior to the exit.

# 2.9 Lifstan Way, Southend on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be enlarged to include two extra spaces at the front of the stand.

# 2.10 Progress Road, Leigh on Sea

Recommendation that the stand be removed and a new stand created on the east side of the road between the junctions of Brunel Road and Faraday Road.

# 2.11 Warrior Square, Southend on Sea

Recommendation that a new Hackney Carriage stand be created for four spaces outside Maitland House from the hours of 8 pm to 3 am only.

#### 2.12 Station Road, Westcliff on Sea

Recommendation that a new Hackney Carriage stand be created for three spaces to the rear of the bus stop opposite the Cliffs Pavilion operating between the hours of 8 pm to 3 am only. This stand would be to replace the stand placed before Members for removal in Westcliff Parade.

# 2.13 That the removal of the said stands, the changes to the said stands and the creation of two new stands be duly advertised.

# 3. Background

Over the last few months a review of all current approved Hackney Carriage stands has been carried out by Officers from the Hackney Carriage Section, Traffic and Transportation Section and the Southend Taxi Drivers Association. The following conclusions have been reached.

# 3.1 Hartington Road

A Hackney Carriage stand on the east side of Hartington Road, Southend on Sea immediately outside the Cornucopia has now fallen into disuse. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Hartington Road since 1994.

# 3.2 Burdett Avenue

A Hackney Carriage stand situated on the south side of the road near to its junction with Hamlet Court Road, Westcliff has fallen into disuse. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Burdett Avenue since 1994.

# 3.3 Oakengrange Drive

A Hackney Carriage stand situated on the south side of the road 50 yards east of its junction with Rochford Road, Southend on Sea has now fallen into disuse. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Oakengrange Drive since 1994.

#### 3.4 Westcliff Parade

A Hackney Carriage stand on the south side of the road before the bend and entrance to the Cliffs Pavilion, Southend on Sea. The Taxi Drivers Association has applied to have this stand removed in favour of a new stand in Station Road. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Westcliff Parade since 1969.

#### 3.5 Alexandra Street

A Hackney Carriage stand on the north side of the road opposite the Alexandra Public House. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Alexandra Street since 1997. Southend Taxi Drivers Association has requested that this be moved to outside the New Empire Theatre.

#### 3.6 **Bellhouse Lane**

Enlargement of a Hackney Carriage stand situated on the east side of the road at its junction with Eastwood Road North. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Bellhouse Lane since 1985

#### 3.7 Belton Way East

Moving forward the Hackney Carriage stand acting as a feeder to Leigh Rail Station situated on the south side of the road towards the limited waiting parking area. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Belton Way East since 1994.

#### 3.8 Elmer Approach

Resiting of the Hackney Carriage stand situated on the south side of the road opposite Storm Nightclub to Farringdon Service Road. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Elmer Approach since 1975, Southend Taxi Drivers Association has requested it be moved to the proposed new location in the Farringdon Service Road.

#### 3.9 Lifstan Way

Enlarging the Hackney Carriage stand situated on the east side of the road, south of its junction with Southchurch Boulevard. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Lifstan Way for over 30 years.

#### 3.10 Progress Road

Resiting the Hackney Carriage stand situated on the west side of the road near to its junction with Rayleigh Road. A Hackney Carriage stand has been in existence in Progress Road since 1985. Southend Taxi Drivers Association has requested it be moved between Brunel Road and Faraday.

# 3.11 Warrior Square

Southend Taxi Drivers Association has requested a new Hackney Carriage stand outside Maitland House to cater for the ever increasing nightlife in this part of the town centre.

#### 3.12 Station Road

Southend Taxi Drivers Association has requested a new Hackney Carriage stand opposite the Cliffs Pavilion to provide a better service to the Cliffs Pavilion and to replace the existing stand in Westcliff Parade.

# 4. Proposals

- 4.1 It is proposed that Members approve the removal of the said stands at Recommendations 2.1 to 2.4, the changes to the said stands at Recommendations 2.6 to 2.10 and approve the creation of two new stands at Recommendations 2.11 and 2.12.
- 4.2 It is proposed that the removal of stands, changes of stands and creation of new stands be advertised in the local press to allow for the 14 statutory day period for objection at Recommendation 2.13.
- 4.3 No changes to the remainder of the stands within the Borough are being recommended at the present time.

#### 5. Background Papers

5.1 No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

# 6. Appendices

6.1 There are no appendices with this report.