IV COMPOSITION OF TAXI LIAISON GROUP (AN55-2011)

At present, the Taxi Liaison Group("the Group") is made up of one representative of each of the following organisations:-

Dundee Taxi Association
Unite the Union
Dundee Hackney Association
Dundee 505050 Limited
Tele Taxis
Tay Taxis
Handy Taxis
Dundee Private Hire Limited; and
Stretched Limousines

In addition, there are a number of Council officers and officers from Tayside Police who attend in a professional capacity. All elected members on the Licensing Committee are also members of the Group.

The Liaison Group performs a similar function to the Dundee Licensing Forum (DLF) in respect of liquor licensing ie to discuss matters pertaining to the operation of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 and other relevant legislation and to make recommendations to the Licensing Committee. In order to maintain its independence from the Licensing Board, no members of the Board are also members of the DLF. It would be desirable for the same considerations to apply to the membership of the Group. To this end, it is recommended that elected members no longer be members of the Liaison Group or attend any of the meetings and that the Group be composed of the trade representatives, together with officers of the Council and Tayside Police. Minutes of the Group would continue to be submitted to the Licensing Committee for information purposes as at present.