

LICENSING PANEL**16 FEBRUARY 2016**

REPORT TITLE	APPLICATION TO LICENSE A FORD TOURNEO AS A HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE
REPORT OF	MANAGING DIRECTOR FOR DELIVERY

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for Members to consider an application to license a Ford Tourneo, long wheelbase model, as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That Members consider whether or not to license the Ford Tourneo, long wheelbase model, as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1.1 It is a delegated function of this Panel to approve vehicles that can be licensed as Hackney Carriage Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 There is no provision for other options to be considered.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 At the meeting of the Licensing, Health and Safety and General Purposes Committee on 25 November 2015 Members resolved that the consideration of applications for the approval of new makes and models of vehicles to be licensed as Hackney Carriage Vehicles be delegated to the Licensing Panel.
- 3.2 At a meeting of the Licensing Panel on 26 February 2016 Members considered an application to license a Ford Tourneo, short wheelbase model, as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle. Members resolved to approve the application to license a Ford Tourneo, short wheelbase model. Members further resolved that should an application be received to license a Ford Tourneo, long wheel base model, the first application for this model must be referred to the Licensing Panel.
- 3.3 An application has been received from Anthony John Collier to license a Ford Tourneo, long wheel base model.
- 3.4 The vehicle has European Whole Vehicle Type Approval to M1 requirements and has been issued with a Vehicle Certification Agency (VCA) certificate.
- 3.5 Type Approval is a system for testing and approving motor vehicles and for controlling conformity of production to be consistent with the approved type. Under the type approval system category M1 relates to passenger carrying vehicles having no more than eight seats in addition to the driver's seat. UK law defines a taxi as an M1 vehicle.
- 3.6 A vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting and Mr Collier's representative will be present to answer any questions members may have.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 A decision of this Panel can be subject to legal challenge.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are none arising from this report.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

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APPENDICES

REFERENCE MATERIAL

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date