

LICENSING HEALTH AND SAFETY AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

20 SEPTEMBER 2017

REPORT TITLE	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE CRITERIA AND LICENCE CONDITIONS
REPORT OF	MANAGING DIRECTOR FOR DELIVERY

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek Members approval in respect of revised Private Hire Vehicle Criteria and Licence Conditions.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That Members approve revised Criteria and Licence Conditions for Private Hire Vehicles.

That officers be delegated to amend the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Compliance Testing Document to reflect the changes in the Criteria and Licence Conditions for Private Hire Vehicles.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

1.1 It is a requirement for this Committee to approve the Criteria and Licence Conditions for Private Hire Vehicles.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

2.1 No other options have been considered.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 Members of this Committee approved the current Private Hire Vehicle Criteria and Licence Conditions which came into effect on 1 November 2000. The criteria and conditions have not been subject to review since that date.
- 3.2 Officers have reviewed both the criteria and conditions in consultation with other authorities across Merseyside with a view to developing a more consistent approach across Merseyside.
- 3.3 Consultation has taken place on the revised criteria and conditions at meetings of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Joint Consultative Committee (JCC).
- 3.4 The draft Private Hire Vehicle Licence Criteria and draft Private Hire Vehicle Licence Conditions will be provided to Members ahead of the meeting.
- 3.5 Should Members approve revised Private Hire Vehicle Criteria and Licence Conditions it will be necessary to update the Private Hire Vehicle Compliance Testing Document to reflect these changes. Members are therefore asked to delegate to officers the amendment of the Compliance Testing Document to reflect the changes.

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 Committee may 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 RISKS

7.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 Consultation has taken place at a meeting with the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Joint Consultative Committee.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.
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APPENDICES

REFERENCE MATERIAL

None

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date