

Committee: Licensing and Environmental Health Committee

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Title: Updated Policy relating to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Trades

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Summary

1. The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the Licensing and Environmental Health Committee of the following proposed amendment to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Trade Policy (May 2021 version).

Recommendation

2. It is recommended that Members note the contents of this report.

Financial Implications

3. There are no cost implications to the Council in undertaking this legal duty.

Background Papers

4. The following papers were referred to by the author in the preparation of this report and are available for inspection.
 - Appendix A – Current Taxi and PHV Policy as approved in May 2021
 - Appendix B – Current Taxi and PHV Policy 2021 V2 with amendment (Chapter 5)

Impact

5.

Communication/Consultation	This report is intended to assist Members and the public understand the Council's policy and approach to licensed vehicles, drivers and operators.
Community Safety	It is hoped that in ensuring that there is one up to date document it will provide clarity for Members and the public. Community safety and public safety is the key driver in all our policy decisions
Equalities	N/A

Health and Safety	N/A
Human Rights/Legal Implications	This document has now been updated to incorporate changes that have been made from May 2021 onwards.
Sustainability	N/A
Ward-specific impacts	N/A
Workforce/Workplace	N/A

Situation

6. The current Licensing Hackney carriage and Private Hire Trades Policy was approved in May 2021 – Appendix A
7. At the May Committee meeting the following policy was agreed:
 - Exemption from the requirement to exhibit a private hire plate
8. This change replaces the content of Chapter 5 of the May policy to create an up to date policy document dated May 2021 V2 - Appendix B.
9. To aid reading, the only section and paragraphs that have been replaced are Chapter 5, Paragraphs 5.1 to 5.17.

Risk Analysis

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary. There is a need for the council to ensure its policy is up to date and clear.	2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.	2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.	2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.

1 = Little or no risk or impact

2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.

3 = Significant risk or impact – action required

4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project.