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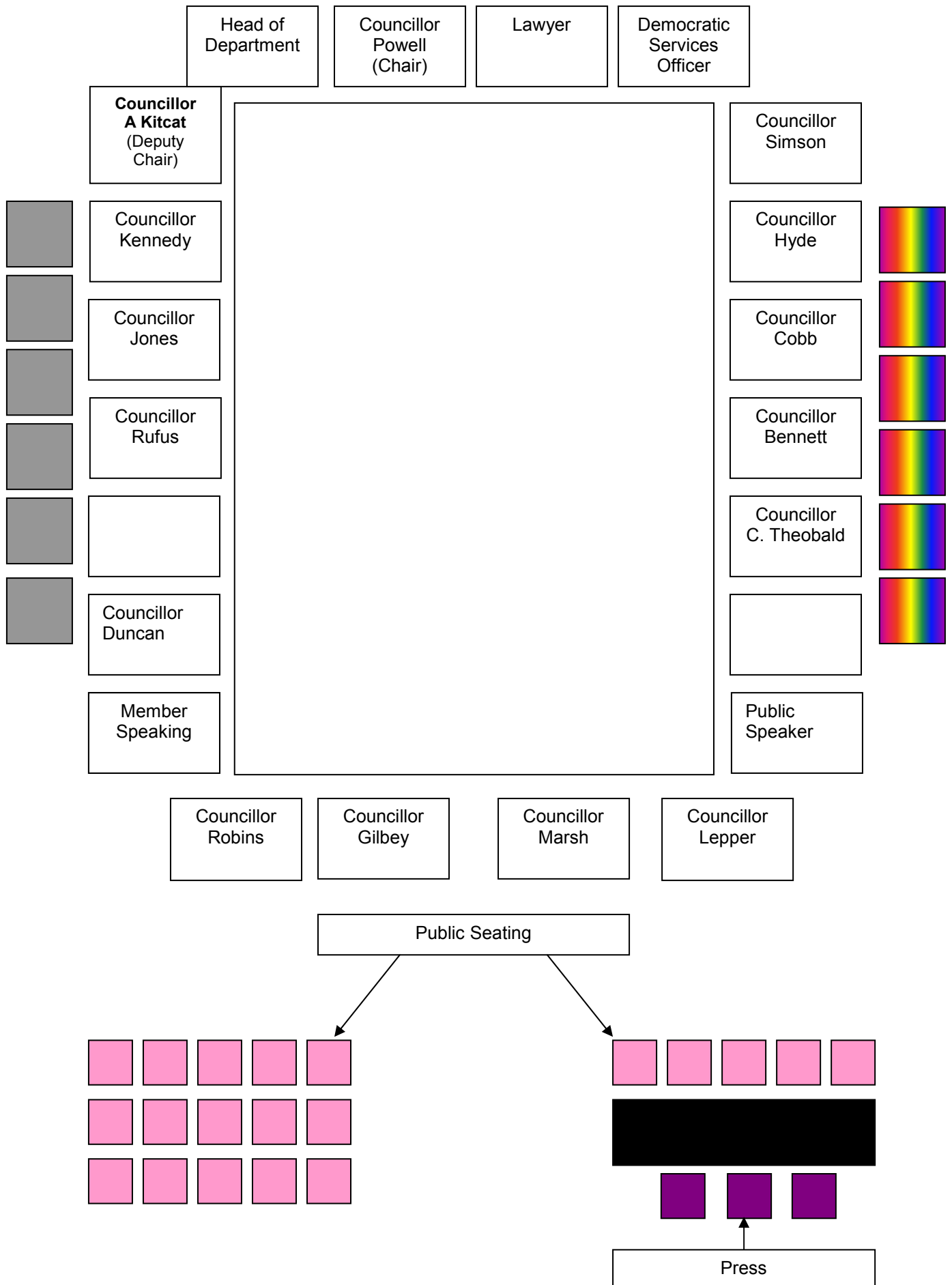
Licensing Committee

(Non-Licensing Act 2003 Functions)

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| Title: | Licensing Committee (Non Licensing Act 2003 Functions) |
| Date: | 5 March 2015 |
| Time: | 3.00pm |
| Venue | Council Chamber, Hove Town Hall |
| Members: | Councillors: Powell (Chair), A Kitcat, (Deputy Chair) Simson (Opposition Spokesperson), Lepper (Opposition Spokesperson), Bennett, Cobb, Gilbey, Hyde, Jones, Kennedy, Marsh, Robins, Rufus and C Theobald |
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AGENDA

24 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

- (a) Declaration of Substitutes: Where Councillors are unable to attend a meeting, a substitute Member from the same Political Group may attend, speak and vote in their place for that meeting.
- (b) Declarations of Interest:
- (a) Disclosable pecuniary interests not registered on the register of interests;
 - (b) Any other interests required to be registered under the local code;
 - (c) Any other general interest as a result of which a decision on the matter might reasonably be regarded as affecting you or a partner more than a majority of other people or businesses in the ward/s affected by the decision.

In each case, you need to declare

- (i) the item on the agenda the interest relates to;
- (ii) the nature of the interest; and
- (iii) whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest or some other interest.

If unsure, Members should seek advice from the committee lawyer or administrator preferably before the meeting.

- (c) Exclusion of Press and Public: To consider whether, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, or the nature of the proceedings, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting when any of the following items are under consideration.

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Minutes of the meeting held on 20 November 2015 (copy attached)

26 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

27 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

LICENSING COMMITTEE (NON LICENSING ACT 2003 FUNCTIONS)

To consider the following matters raised by members of the public:

- (a) **Petitions:** to receive any petitions presented to the full council or at the meeting itself;
- (b) **Written Questions:** to receive any questions submitted by the due date of 12 noon on the 26 February 2015;
- (c) **Deputations:** to receive any deputations submitted by the due date of 12 noon on the 26 February 2015.

28 MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

To consider the following matters raised by councillors:

- (a) **Petitions:** to receive any petitions submitted to the full Council or at the meeting itself;
- (b) **Written Questions:** to consider any written questions;
- (c) **Letters:** to consider any letters;
- (d) **Notices of Motion:** to consider any Notices of Motion referred from Council or submitted directly to the Committee.

29 HIGHWAY LICENSING

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Report of the Executive Director, Environment, Development & Housing (copy attached)

Contact Officer: David Fisher *Tel:* 29- 2326
Ward Affected: All Wards

30 HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARE REVIEW

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Report of the Director of Public Health (copy attached)

Contact Officer: Martin Seymour *Tel:* 29-2550
Ward Affected: All Wards

31 ITEMS TO GO FORWARD TO COUNCIL

To consider items to be submitted to the 26 March 2015 Council meeting for information.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 24.3a, the Committee may determine that any item is to be included in its report to Council. In addition, any Group may specify one further item to be included by notifying the Chief Executive no later than 10am on the eighth working day before the Council meeting at which the report is to be made, or if the Committee meeting take place after this deadline, immediately at the conclusion of the Committee meeting

LICENSING COMMITTEE (NON LICENSING ACT 2003 FUNCTIONS)

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BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE (NON LICENSING ACT 2003 FUNCTIONS)

3.00PM 20 NOVEMBER 2014

COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Powell (Chair), Lepper (Opposition Spokesperson), Cobb, Gilbey, Hyde, Kennedy, Marsh, Phillips, Randall, Robins, Rufus, C Theobald and Wealls

Apologies: Councillors Bennett and Duncan

PART ONE

10 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

10a Declaration of Substitutes

10.1 Councillor Randall declared that he was substituting for Councillor Jones and Councillor Wealls declared that he was substituting for Councillor Simson.

10b Declarations of Interest

10.2 There were none.

10c Exclusion of the Press and Public

10.3 In accordance with section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 ('the Act'), the Committee considered whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during an item of business on the grounds that it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press or public were present during that item, there would be disclosure to them of confidential information (as defined in section 100A(3) of the Act) or exempt information (as defined in section 100I of the Act).

10.4 **RESOLVED** - That the press and public be not excluded from the meeting during consideration of any item on the agenda.

11 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR

- 11.1 Nominations were requested to formally appoint a Deputy Chair for the remainder of the current municipal year. Councillor Ania Kitcat was nominated by Powell and this this was seconded by Councillor Rufus. A vote was taken and Councillor Kitcat was therefore duly appointed.
- 11.2 **RESOLVED** – That Councillor Ania Kitcat be duly appointed as Deputy Chair of the Non-Licensing Act 2003 Functions Committee for the remainder of 2014/15 Municipal Year.

12 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- 12.1 **RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the Licensing Committee (Non Licensing Act 2003 Functions) Meeting held on 16 June 2014 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

13 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

- 13.1 The Chair confirmed that since the last meeting of the Committee, suspensions, revocations and formal warnings had been issued as set out below:

3 Drivers had their licences revoked following motoring convictions

2 Drivers had their applications to renew refused on medical grounds

1 Driver had their application refused due to a previous conviction

1 Driver had their application to renew refused following a road rage incident with another driver

4 drivers have received formal warnings

- 13.2 **RESOLVED** – That the position be noted.

14 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**14a Petitions**

- 14.1 There were none.

14b Written Questions

- 14.2 There were none.

14c Deputations

- 14.3 There were none.

15 ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS

15a Petitions

15.1 There were none.

15b Written Questions

15.2 There were none.

15c Letters

15.3 There were none.

15d Notices of Motion

15.4 There were none.

16 LICENCE FEES 2015/2016

- 16.1 The Committee considered a report of the Director of Public Health setting out the proposed licence fees and charges for 2015/16 relating to Street Trading, Sex Establishments and Sex Entertainment Licences, Gambling premises, taxi licensing and other licensing functions.
- 16.2 The Head of Regulatory Services, Tim Nichols explained that In order to ensure that council tax payers were not subsidising work concerning licensing administration, income was raised by licence fees which aimed to cover the cost of administration of each regime within constraints of regulation. Licence fees should not be used to raise revenue. The way in which charges were calculated had been reviewed and was now based on a recent detailed analysis of officer time. The regulation of setting fees was detailed and changes which were considered necessary as a result of legislation and the outcome of recent case law were set out in the report.
- 16.3 Councillor Rufus sought clarification regarding the rationale for lowering some/ raising some of the fees by the levels indicated in the current year. He understood the need to bring the accounts into balance and the rationale for this, but as some were well above the level of inflation this could be considered hard to justify. He queried whether it would be possible to bring the level of fees charged into line over several years. The Head of Regulatory Services, Tim Nichols explained that it was intended to bring the accounts into balance by the close of the current financial year, as this was recognised a fiduciary best practice. It was also not possible to roll budgets forward from one year to the next in view of the requirement to cover costs, but not to raise revenue. The Accountant to the Committee, Steven Bedford, confirmed that this was so and explained the precise rationale for each of the levels of charge proposed to be levied.
- 16.4 Councillor Kennedy understood all that had been said and the case law which stood behind it but stated that she was unable to support the recommended reductions to the levels due by sex entertainment venues and sex establishments. Such levels sent the wrong message given the privations of many who considered themselves “trapped” within the sex industry; It was regrettable that money raised could not be used towards supporting those who wished to leave the trade. Therefore she would abstain when the

vote was taken, notwithstanding that she did not object to the other report recommendations.

- 16.5 Councillor Randall concurred with all that had been said by Councillor Kennedy confirming that he would abstain from voting for the same reason. Councillor Randall also referred to the level of fee increases proposed for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers, both of which seemed very high given the current fragile condition of the local economy and the fact a number of businesses/operators continued to struggle.
- 16.6 Councillor C Theobald also considered that the suggested levels of increases for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers seemed very high and sought clarification of how this figure had been arrived at and whether the trade had been consulted.
- 16.7 Councillor Robins referred to paragraph 3.5 which needed to be corrected as it contained a double negative.
- 16.8 Councillor Cobb referred to paragraph 3.10 requesting clarification whether the proposed reduction of 5% was correct.
- 16.9 Councillor A Kitcat referred to the case law referred to in the report, particularly in relation to the level at which fees were set for licensed sex establishments and whether those set in Brighton and Hove could be subject to challenge. The Legal Adviser to the Committee, Rebecca Sidell explained that any decisions taken were always subject to challenge and if costs were successfully applied for could be very expensive. If set in line with prevailing legislation and case law however, an authority would be able to evidence their decision making process and the rationale for the level of fees and charges set.
- 16.10 Councillor Wealls sought clarification of how sex establishments were defined for levying of fees. He also sought clarification of whether the proposed fees for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers had been notified to the Taxi Forum and whether a response had been received from them.
- 16.11-A vote was taken and of the 13 Members present when the vote was taken the recommendations in the Officer's report were agreed on a vote of 8 with 5 abstentions.
- 16.12 **RESOLVED** - That the committee approves the following variation to licence fees:
- Hackney carriage driver fee +58.7%, hackney carriage vehicle fee +5.1%, private hire driver fee +25.6% and private hire vehicle fee -51.5%.
 - Sex entertainment venues and sex establishments are decreased by -38.5%.
 - Street trading fees - decreased by -5% (street artists & misc. short term -6.3%).
 - All Gambling Act 2005 fees remain the same.

17 PET VENDING - MODEL LICENSING CONDITIONS

- 17.1 The Committee considered a report of Director of Public Health outlining the results of the consultation required as a result of the recommendations made by the Committee at its meeting of 26 June 2014.
- 17.2 At that time the Committee had:

- Noted that progress had been made regarding the possible use of the CIEH published Model Licence Conditions for Pet Vending and that the issue warranted further discussion and consultation;
 - Noted that progress had been made regarding the possible mandatory distribution of the EMODE leaflet to prospective pet shop customers and that the issue further warranted discussion and consultation;
 - Directed officers to consult further on the EMODE leaflet, to explore whether objections from all trade bodies could be satisfied; that a full review be conducted, and that this item be brought back to the scheduled November 2014 Licensing Committee (Non Licensing Act 2003 Functions) for full discussion';
 - Noted the work done in the use of CIEH model licence conditions for pet vending; and
 - Had requested that further research be done into how these proposed changes would improve/not improve the lives of animals in the pet trade, and as such, that the item is brought back post-publication of the review for full discussion at the next scheduled meeting of the Committee in November 2014.
- 17.3 Following that meeting and as a result of the Committee decision of 26 June a number of work streams had been developed. Officers had consulted with the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health, the RSPCA, the Animal Protection Agency, The Pet Federation Agency, Pet Shops, Animal Sanctuaries and the general public. The results of that consultation and the rationale for the recommendations were set out in the report, the supporting appendices detailed further consultation undertaken and responses received.
- 17.4 Councillor Lepper stated that she considered the recommendations represented a reasonable response in view of the current position and fully supported them.
- 17.5 Councillor Randall noted the concerns and objections received from the RSPCA and sought confirmation regarding whether they had given any indication as to how they would be carrying their own work in terms of encouraging better practice forward and when that was likely to come on stream. Notwithstanding the current position he was also of the view that it was important to continue to keep up the pressure to ensure that all pet vending establishments aspired to and maintained the highest standards and sought to ensure that all potential pet owners were fully aware of their responsibilities in caring for an animal.
- 17.6 Councillor Robins referred to the EMODE matrix stating that whilst happy to support the report recommendations' he still considered that the grid used was very confusing as in some instances the same animal, e.g., cats/ dogs could appear at different points being classed both as both "easy" and "moderately difficult".
- 17.7 Councillor C Theobald stated that it was important that potential purchasers/owners were given the correct information and support.

17.8 **RESOLVED** – (1) That the Committee does not agree the use of this version of the new CIEH published model licence conditions 2013 for Pets Vending; and

(2) That Committee agree that pet shops be encouraged to stock and distribute the EMODE leaflet to prospective customers on a voluntary basis.

18 **BHCC CLEANER TAXIS PROJECT - NATIONAL PILOT**

18.1 The Committee considered a report of the Director of Public Health detailing the successful outcome of a bid made to the Department of Transport's (DfT) for the Clean Vehicle Transport Scheme.

18.2 It was noted that the council had been awarded £195,000 for the retrofit of up to thirty larger taxis or minibuses with compact Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) Technology (200mm and smaller). The award followed similar funds awarded for the retrofit of older buses in 2013.

18.3 Councillor A Kitcat commended the report and the hard work by officers which had resulted in this successful bid.

18.4 Councillor Hyde referred to the fact that there were several areas across the city where it was recognised that air quality was poor. Rottingdean High Street in her ward was one of them and Councillor Hyde enquired regarding any measures proposed to address this problem. The Head of Regulatory Services, Tim Nichols that on-going work was being carried out in co-operation with colleagues in the Environment, Transport and Sustainability team. Discussions had included representatives of Rottingdean Parish Council.

18.5 Councillor Robins referred to an engine cut-out device currently available, this was designed to reduce emissions when vehicles were queuing in stationary traffic. This usually needed to be operated manually and was not without its difficulties. The Head of Regulatory Services explained that the Taxi Forum had raised this issue and that potential alternatives would be investigated. He further explained that if the current levels of control available to the licensing authority were to be reduced as a result of changes to the existing legislation by Central Government, then the authority was likely to move towards requiring no-idling devices in future.

18.6 Councillor Rufus sought clarification of the type of equipment required and whether this would last for the life of the vehicle. The Head of Regulatory Services that this matter was under investigation in order to find out which system/s would work best, regard would also be given to similar projects taking place elsewhere around the country.

18.7 **RESOLVED** – That the content of the report be noted.

19 **NON PAYMENT OF FARES NOTICE**

19.1 The Committee considered a report of the Director of Public Health seeking approval of the wording of the notice for use in Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles designed to deter non-payment of taxi fares.

- 19.2 The Hackney Carriage Officer explained that the suggested wording agreed by the Trade and Sussex Police was:
- “ Before hiring this vehicle:
- Please ensure you have the means to pay. Deliberate failure to make payments before leaving this vehicle is a Criminal Offence.”
- 19.3 The Hackney Carriage Officer, Martin Seymour explained that the trade had requested permission to use a notice to include Sussex Police and Council Logos in vehicles to help prevent the deliberate non-payment of fares by some customers and to raise awareness that non-payment was a criminal offence. The trade have been working with Sussex Police on the wording of a notice and were now requesting that the agreed wording was approved by Committee for use in Hackney Carriage and Private Hire vehicles.
- 19.4 **RESOLVED** – That the Committee approve the notice wording set out on Paragraph 3.4 of the report and above and use of the Council logo on any notice produced.

20 HACKNEY CARRIAGE WAITING LIST CONDITIONS

- 20.1 The Committee considered a report of the Director of Public Health seeking to remove some restrictions which currently applied to applicants on the Hackney Carriage Waiting List.
- 20.2 The Hackney Carriage Officer, Martin Seymour explained that the Council currently operated a restricted numbers policy for hackney carriage vehicles with a managed growth of 5 additional plates issued on an annual basis in May. Any additional licences issued were issued in accordance with the conditions attached to the Brighton & Hove City Council Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence Waiting List.
- 20.3 It was proposed to remove the conditions of entry on to the Hackney Carriage Waiting list that required an applicant to:
- (a) reside within 5 miles of the Council boundary;
 - (b) have held a Brighton and Hove hackney carriage driver licence or a Brighton & Hove private hire driver licence for at least 12 months immediately prior to the date of application; and
 - (c) be working full time in the hackney carriage or private hire trade based in Brighton and Hove at the time of application.
- 20.4 Currently, additional plates were offered to applicants on the waiting list in order of priority determined by the number of credit points (years) on which the applicant had applied to be included on the list. Currently where two or more applicants had the same number of credit points they were offered to drivers in order of priority by the date of issue of their first hackney carriage or private hire driver licence and applicants living in Brighton & Hove.
- 20.5 Councillor Hyde enquired why a distance of 5 miles of the city boundary had been chosen and the Hackney Carriage Officer, Martin Seymour explained that generally

preference as given to those living in or near the city, they were also likely to have a greater level of local knowledge.

- 20.6 Councillor C Theobald asked whether the distance of 5 miles had been agreed with the trade and it was confirmed that it had.
- 20.7 Councillors Marsh and Lepper were in agreement that the current restrictions on numbers should remain in place until/unless the results of a review suggested they be revisited. In terms of distance however, they considered that consideration could be given to applying this more flexibly in future bearing in mind that the high costs of renting or buying a property in the city were such that many of those working in the city had no option other than to live outside its boundaries and commute in.
- 20.8 Councillor Robins concurred in this stating that a number of people who had family ties within his ward found themselves having to live further out. Councillor Robins referred to the close proximity of the boundaries of East and West Sussex to certain areas of the city. He sought clarification as to whether there were restrictions in terms of drivers across these boundaries and whether either of those authorities operated similar distance criteria.
- 20.8 Councillor Rufus was in agreement with all that had been said, whilst also being of the view that it was important not to “open up” trade in the city to those who had scant knowledge of it, he had concerns in respect of recommendation (c).
- 20.9 Councillors Hyde and C Theobald considered that application of a 10 mile radius rather than a 5 mile radius could be better.
- 20.10 Councillor Kitcat considered that if the trade considered that a 5 mile distance was appropriate that the Committee should be mindful of that.
- 20.11 **RESOLVED** – That the Committee approve the proposed amended conditions for entry on the Hackney Carriage Waiting List set out in Appendix A to the report.

21 HACKNEY CARRIAGE UNMET DEMAND SURVEY AND CONSULTATION ON WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLE PROVISION

- 21.1 The Committee considered a report of the Director of Public Health confirming that a Hackney Carriage “Unmet Demand Survey” would be undertaken during 2015 to determine any unmet demand for Hackney Carriages.
- 21.2 The Hackney Carriage Officer explained that the survey would look at current policies and provision of hackney carriage vehicles in the context of other similar authorities in England and in particular Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Provision.
- 21.3 Councillor Hyde enquired whether the current number of vehicles was considered to be sufficient. The Head of Regulatory Services responded that the current policy could be reviewed should the consultant’s report indicate that changes might be required.
- 21.4 Councillor Marsh stated that in her view it was important to maintain the number of vehicles including WAV’s at their current level unless there were clear indications that

changes were necessary. The existing arrangements seemed to work well and it was important to maintain a mixed fleet bearing in mind that not all disabled passengers were able to access WAV's.

- 21.5 Councillor Lepper concurred in that view stating that she considered it was essential to maintain a mixed fleet as was currently the case as this would best meet the needs of the travelling public overall.
- 21.6 Councillor C Theobald considered that the current number could be too high and therefore welcomed the opportunity for that figure to be reviewed.
- 21.7 Councillor Cobb sought clarification that currently the figure stood at no more than 5 additional plates annually, it was confirmed that this was the case and, the frequency with which reviews took place. The Head of Regulatory Services explained that the Unmet Demand Survey consultation took place every three years and that the next consultation was now due to take place.
- 21.8 **RESOLVED** – (1) That Members confirm their support for a restricted numbers policy for hackney carriage vehicles with managed growth of five additional plates issued annually to wheelchair accessible vehicles. This policy to be reviewed following the consultant's report; and
- (2) That any report should compare current policies and provision with other similar authorities in England to provide evidence in relation to the perceived or actual problem of availability of wheelchair accessible vehicles and consultation with local stakeholders.

22 ETHNICITY MONITORING OF THE HACKNEY CARRIAGE/PRIVATE HIRE TRADE FOR 2013/14

- 22.1 The Committee considered a report of the Director of Public Health detailing the results of Ethnicity Monitoring of the Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Trade 2013/14.
- 22.2 Councillor Kennedy welcomed the report she considered provided a "snapshot" of those working as Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers in the city.
- 22.3 Councillor Robins sought clarification whether this information was held primarily to satisfy equalities and human resources requirements. The Head of Regulatory Services, Tim Nichols explained that the data collected was valuable as it provided information regarding diversity of those employed in the trade.
- 22.4 **RESOLVED** – That the results of Ethnicity Monitoring of the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Trade 2013/14 be noted.

23 ITEMS TO GO FORWARD TO COUNCIL

- 23.1 There were none.

The meeting concluded at 4.40pm

Signed

Chairman

Dated this

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| Subject: | Highway Licensing | | |
| Date of Meeting: | 5th March 2015 Licensing Committee (Non Licensing Act 2003 Functions) | | |
| Report of: | Executive Director Environment, Development & Housing | | |
| Contact Officer: | Name: | David Fisher | Tel: 29-2065 |
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| Ward(s) affected: | All | | |

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT

This report sets out the current status of licensing advertising boards, outside seating and shop displays on the public highway. This report was requested by the Chair of Licensing Committee due to growing public debate and media interest into street clutter.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

2.1 That members note the contents of the report and associated policy.

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 Brighton & Hove City Council have had a licensing system in place since 2001, under Highway Policy H8-4 Control of Placements on the Highway (Appendix 1). The Council can licence items placed on the public highway using delegated powers under The Highways Act 1980.

3.2 The Highway Licensing system requires any business within the licensing zones who wish to place an advertising board, shop display or outside seating on the public highway to apply for a licence. The application is determined based on standard conditions and the individual site location. A fee is required to cover the costs of the application. (Appendix 2)

3.3 The Highway Enforcement team manage the licensing system. In 2009 the council reviewed the Highway Licensing policy, and in the light of extensive interest from local groups, as well as a potential challenge from the RNIB, it was agreed to hold an in-depth scrutiny review. The scrutiny review looked at Street Access as a whole and published their report in 2010 making several recommendations. (Appendix 3)

- 3.4 Some of the recommendations now form part of the standard licensing conditions including maintaining a minimum pavement width around licenced items of 1.3m and only allowing one advertising board per elevation. However some including the marking out of areas have proved harder to implement. After several years of trying to find a suitable marking material it is hope to have all outside seating areas, shop displays and advertising boards marked out by October 2015.
- 3.5 The Highway enforcement team is made up of 5 Highway Enforcement Officers, 2.4 Technical assistants and a manager. The team is responsible for dealing with all types highway obstructions (except parked vehicles and rubbish bins) either by licensing them or enforcing their removal. The team also deal with abandoned vehicles and bicycles.

Alongside issuing licences for advertising boards etc., the team issue licences for skips, scaffolds and hoardings on the public highway, issuing over 4000 licences a year. It also responds to reports from the public of highway obstructions dealing with over 3000 reports this year so far. (Appendix 4)

- 3.6 Unfortunately the team has suffered from several members of staff on long term sickness over the last 4 years. This has hampered efforts when dealing with highway obstructions as the remaining resources had to be directed to dealing with the areas with highest levels of activity.
- 3.7 Under EU regulations the fee must be set to cover the cost of administration and cannot be used as a revenue stream or set higher to discourage applications. The income generated from the licensing fees covers the administration costs to the Highway Enforcement team. Any reduction in the number of licences issued would affect this income possibly leading to the enforcement team needing financial support from the main council budgets. (Appendix 5)
- 3.8 The Highway Enforcement team is now back to full strength and hopefully will remain so for the foreseeable future. It is proposed that the marking out of areas is carried out this year; each licenced site including advertising boards will be re-measured, the footway will then be marked using anti-slip tape to show the boundaries of the licensed area and agreed position of other items. With favourable weather all areas should be marked by October 2015. We also plan to update our computer system. All licences are currently managed using excel spreadsheets, and it is proposed to test a dedicated licensing system that will help improve the enforcement of expired licences.

4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 4.1 No recommendations made.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION

- 5.1 No community engagement has been carried out for this report; however since the licensing system has been in place various parties have been approached to

give feedback on the system including disability groups, community groups and business forums. The Street Access scrutiny report has a list of those involved.

6. CONCLUSION

6.1 The placement of A-boards, outside seating and shop displays is a controversial subject with varying opinions across the board. This can be seen when looking at the vast range of different approaches taken by other local authorities. Whilst many have chosen to allow A-boards with little or no control, others have placed a ban on A-boards and indeed some have stopped businesses from putting anything on the public highway at all.

This approach would generate issues in Brighton & Hove. Removing the income generated by the system will result in costs to the council as the administration costs of the Highway Enforcement team are covered and an enforcement team of some description will still be needed because a number of tasks are statutory duties. With A-boards and other items such as outside seating currently being allowed many businesses have spent large sums of money on their outside areas, and banning these items now would have a huge impact on the business community. Furthermore the vibrant street scene in some parts of Brighton and Hove revolves around businesses expanding on to the Public Highway.

6.2 When at full strength the Highway Enforcement team are able to implement the current control of placements on the public highway policy to a high degree of satisfaction. However improvements to the current systems are always explored and welcomed as it is understood that A-boards and other licenced items do add to the overall street clutter and can impair pedestrian access, particularly for those with mobility issues.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

7.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendation of this report. The costs and income associated to the Highway Enforcement Team are included within the Transport general fund budget. The 2014/15 budget for the Enforcement Team is approximately £14,000 net income after costs, including support services, management and administration costs.

7.2

Finance Officer Consulted: Steven Bedford

Date: 03/02/15

7.3 Legal Implications:

No Legal implications arising from this report

Lawyer Consulted: Name Rebecca Sidell

Date: 10/2/14

Equalities Implications:

- 7.4 An equalities impact assessment has not been carried out for this report

Sustainability Implications:

- 7.5 There are no sustainability implications from this report.

Any Other Significant Implications:

- 7.6 No significant implications from this report.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. HP8-4 Control of placements on the highway policy
2. Fee's and Conditions
3. Scrutiny report recommendations
4. Licenses issued and reports received
5. Income generated.

Documents in Members' Rooms

1. Full Street Access Scrutiny report



**SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT
OPERATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT**

CONTROL OF PLACEMENTS ON THE HIGHWAY

HP8/4

Objective

To control obstructions upon the highway to ensure safe use and access, while permitting essential works, supporting business and encouraging a vibrant street scene.

Policy

1. The Director of Environment shall issue, where appropriate, statutory licences permitting the following obstructions:-
 - (a) Temporary obstructions associated with building, refurbishment and development works, as permitted by the Highways Act 1980 (e.g. deposit of building materials, parking of builders' skips, erection of scaffolding/hoardings, etc.). A licence fee will reflect the cost of processing by the Council. Appropriate enforcement action shall be undertaken against unlicensed objects and breaches of licence conditions.
 - (b) Temporary Highway Obstructions – e.g. private drain/sewer connections, etc.
 - (c) Permanent Highway Furniture – e.g. roadside seats, bus shelters, etc.
 - (d) Amenities on certain highways and provided for under Section 115A to K of the Highways Act as amended under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.
2. The Director of Environment shall, where appropriate, issue licences under the Highways Act 1980 as amended by the Local Government (Miscellaneous) Act 1982 for reasonable use and controlled obstruction of the highway by businesses and organisations. Permitted items shall include:-
 - a) Shop displays (including stands and racks)
 - b) Tables and chairs
 - c) Event-related items (stalls, stages, safety barriers etc.)
 - d) Free-standing items for advertising/information (map panels, menu boards, "A" Boards, dispensers etc.)
 - e) Other items permitted by said legislation

A licence fee will reflect the cost of processing by the Council.

The Authority will set reasonable licence conditions, including site-specific conditions, for all licences issued. In general such conditions will relate to public access and safety.

Where deemed necessary, for example, in pedestrianised zones, conservation areas and districts within the main tourist areas of the City, the Council may, in addition to the above, impose reasonable conditions regarding the appearance of objects and structures authorised by licence. Such conditions would be intended to preserve or enhance the amenity of the highway and its immediate surroundings.

Appropriate enforcement action shall be undertaken against unlicensed objects and breaches of licence conditions.
3. Powers under the Highways Act 1980 shall be applied to control overhanging trees/hedges, projecting roots, etc. considered to obstruct the highway.

Policy (cont)

4. No advertising signs or banners of any nature which exceed four square metres in area shall be permitted upon any scaffolding placed upon the highway.
5. Unauthorised banners may be subject to removal and those responsible pursued under relevant legislation.
6. All licensees will be required to indemnify the Council against all claims arising from the grant of any permission relating to the highway.
7. Powers under the Highways Act 1980 shall be applied to control significant, non-vehicular obstructions of and encroachments on the highway not covered by the above.

Supporting Information

The Council will carry out its duty to protect and uphold the rights of use and enjoyment of all legitimate users of the public highway, without discrimination, as established by the Highways Act 1980 and other relevant legislation.

References

Highways Act 1980, Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, Disability Discrimination Act 1990, "Public Spaces, Public Life" document

Date of Approval:

Review By: Within 5 Years



Brighton & Hove City Council

Licence Conditions 2014-2015

The following conditions will be introduced to apply to all highway licences issued.

1. Terms:

- 1.1 The term "licence" used below refers to any Highway Permission issued by the Highway Enforcement Team.
- 1.2 A "licensee" is deemed to be the body or individual to whom the licence has been issued.
- 1.3 A "licensed area" is that area of public highway covered by the licence.

2. Legal Issues:

- 2.1 This licence is not transferable.
- 2.2 Sub-letting of the highway is forbidden. A frontager who is a licensee may, with the advance written permission of the council, permit a suitable third party (i.e. a party the council would consider to be an appropriate licensee themselves) to display items within a relevant licensed area, but there should be no financial transaction associated with such an arrangement. Any third party must meet and comply with all licence conditions, including the holding of Public Liability Insurance (see below). Responsibility for breaches of licence conditions will lie with the licensee.
- 2.3 The licensee agrees to indemnify the council against any claims in respect of injury, damage or loss arising out of the grant of the licence. Public Liability Insurance cover of at least one million pounds must be carried for the duration of the licence. Evidence for this cover must be produced on demand.
- 2.4 The licence may be suspended or revoked and/or the licensee required to temporarily remove the objects by the council for any legally defensible reason. The licensee shall not be entitled to any compensation for loss of trade or business as a result.
- 2.5 If deemed necessary the council may alter licence conditions at any time. The licensee shall not be entitled to any compensation for loss of trade or business as a result.
- 2.6 Where necessary, the council may place time limits to restrict the use of licensed areas to permitted hours. In general, these restrictions will apply to premises with alcohol licences and will not exceed the hours set by the terms of such licences.
- 2.7 Licences are valid for a maximum of 12 months and expire at 24:00 hrs. on the first 30th of April following the date of issue. Licences are subject to an annual review. Payment of licence fees is a condition of the licence.

2.8 Licences only relate to the placing of objects upon the highway. It is the responsibility of the licensee to obtain all other consents required in connection with the proposed extension of their business onto the highway including, where appropriate, any amendment to their existing liquor licence.

2.9 It is a condition of Highway Licences that all consents and permissions and all health & safety, environmental health or other legal provisions or measures required by Brighton & Hove City Council or other legal authorities are obtained and adhered to. Proven failure to comply with legislation and/or the reasonable and legitimate instructions of an authorised officer of the Council, Her Majesty's Health & Safety Executive or the Police may be considered a breach of the conditions governing the licence.

3 Advertising boards:

No more than one advertising board per licensed premises may be permitted on the Public Highway. The total surface areas of all advertising boards whether on the highway or on private land or decking or on any combination of the same may not at any time exceed the limits for such advertising under Planning Regulations (a total area of 4.6 square metres).

Licensed advertising boards shall be between 0.75m and 1.2m high and between 0.5m and 1.1m wide only. Larger or smaller boards will not be permitted.

3.1 Shop Displays

The licensed area must be kept clean, being washed down as necessary, and free of litter at all times. The licensee is responsible for regularly clearing all debris and litter associated with the licensed premises, whether inside the bounds of the licensed area or not.

No object may be placed upon the highway outside the licensed area or away from the licensed position at any time. Advertising boards placed inside the licensed area must be no larger than 1.2m high x 1.1m wide. All items must be checked at regular intervals.

Shop displays made up of rows of irregular items (e.g. pots) should ideally have vertical panels of not less than 0.3m height, at the edges & sides so as to provide a regular and continuous tapping board for the guidance of the blind and partially sighted. If necessary the council can make provision of these a special condition of a licence

No goods or food shall be displayed for sale in the highway unless it is evident that such goods are sold as part of the normal business of the licensee. The nature of such displays and the goods for sale must be formally approved by officers and noted within the licence agreement. Where such displays are permitted all sales must take place upon private property. No financial exchanges may take place upon the Public Highway, other than in connection with sitting-out areas.

Licensees with display or sitting-out areas will be supplied with a Data Sheet showing the extent of the highway licensed to them. This document must be kept on site and be available for inspection on demand at any time by officers of the council or other agencies, elected members and the general public.

3.2 Tables and chairs

The council reserves the right to limit the number of items placed within a licensed area. Factors influencing such limits may include the density of tables/chairs within a licensed area and the ratio between the number of covers within the licensed area and those inside the actual premises.

Patrons within a licensed area must be seated. Vertical drinking shall not be permitted at any time.

Benches or other objects which cannot easily be removed and stored within the licensed premises shall not be permitted unless noted within the original application and agreed in advance and in writing by the council. The council may specify how items left out overnight shall be stored or stacked.

Licensees who significantly alter the nature of their items (e.g. the design of seating/tables/barriers) without prior consultation and a written agreement from the council will be deemed to have breached licence conditions.

No free-standing items issuing heat or with heated elements (such as gas or electric heaters) may be permitted within a licensed area unless the intention to place such items was noted within the original licence application and agreed in advance and in writing by the council. A Risk Assessment for the use of such items must be submitted with the application

The council can insist that licensed areas are surrounded by barrier or fencing. The use and design of all such barriers must be approved in writing by the council.

The licensee shall ensure that all glasses, bottles and other debris from the licensed premises are collected and returned to the licensed premises regularly and at the end of each session.

The council may require the use of plastic containers only within certain licensed areas.

The licensed area must be kept clean, being washed down as necessary, and free of litter at all times. The licensee is responsible for regularly clearing all debris and litter associated with the licensed premises, whether inside the bounds of the licensed area or not.

No object may be placed upon the highway outside the licensed area or away from the licensed position at any time. Advertising boards placed inside the licensed area must be no larger than 1.2m high x 1.1m wide. All items must be checked at regular intervals. Areas associated with the consumption of food or drink must be constantly monitored. Items left unattended or found out of sight of the licensed premises may be removed and impounded without warning.

The cooking of food within a licensed area is prohibited.

Licensees with display or sitting-out areas will be supplied with a Data Sheet showing the extent of the highway licensed to them. This document must be kept on site and be available for inspection on demand at any time by officers of the council or other agencies, elected members and the general public.

Premises with sitting-out areas may not place advertising boards outside licensed areas unless such placements are separately licensed and conform with all other relevant conditions.

4. General:

- 4.1 The licensee must clearly display on site a Display Licence provided by the council. This should be placed in a window, glass door or menu stand of the licensed premises clearly be visible and legible from the highway.
- 4.2 Anything left upon the highway outside business hours or the hours stated in the licence conditions, or any item found chained or tied to any other object, street furniture or building without prior written permission, may be removed and impounded without further warning.
- 4.3 The improper parking of vehicles by staff or persons associated with the licensed site (including delivery vehicles) will be considered a breach of the licence. This is of particular importance within those areas where vehicle access is restricted and in streets that are periodically pedestrianised. In certain parts of the city licensees may be required to agree to restrictions on delivery times.

4.4 To promote the work of the Brighton & Hove Drug and Alcohol Action Team and support the operations of the Council's Trading Standards Team, licensed sites involved in the sale of cigarettes or of alcohol for off-premises consumption shall be required to display, at all times, such notices relating to illegal sales to or illegal purchase on behalf of minors.

4.5 Note that the following general rules will be applied to all officer-approved applications/sites within the city:

A) That no licensed traders' items will be permitted to reduce the width of a footway to less than 1.3 metres except where:

1. a formal pedestrian zone has been established in a road by Traffic Order and the whole of the carriageway is kept clear for pedestrian use
2. a road is closed to vehicular traffic by virtue of a temporary Traffic Order and the whole of the carriageway is kept clear for pedestrian use
3. a road is considered to be "shared space" and the whole carriageway is generally available for pedestrian use
4. discretion to allow this has been exercised by Elected Members in Committee or Cabinet, due to special circumstances.

B) That where a footway is reduced to a width of 1.3 metres (or less) by objects (whether these objects be licensable traders' items or fixed street furniture such as lamp posts, bins etc.) "turning circles" for manual wheelchair users and guide dogs must be established at regular intervals. These "turning circles" shall not be less than 1.6m in length and must be maintained at least every 6 metres along the length of a restricted footway.

C) That, except in the case of items within large, waiter-serviced sitting-out areas, no traders' item shall be permitted to be placed more than five metres from the licensed premises or out of sight from a window or door of said premises.

In certain circumstances, refusal by an officer of the licence application because of the above criteria may be challenged by means of Formal Appeal to Committee or Cabinet. Note however that no activities can take place at a site until such a decision is reached.

6. Enforcement Procedure (removals):

The following enforcement procedure shall be applied as standard for all items placed on the Public Highway in breach of the DfT guidelines and the rules and conditions of the Highway Licensing System as detailed above:

- That on the discovery of a breach of the guidelines, rules and conditions, a written warning shall be issued to the relevant business/person, warning and advising them of their need to abide by the prevailing regulations.
- That on the discovery of a second such breach within eight weeks of the first, a second warning notice be served.
- That on the discovery of a third such breach within eight weeks of the second warning a third warning shall be served.

If the recipient of a third warning is a holder of a Highway Licence, then this licence shall be temporarily suspended by virtue of said notice pending consideration of the case by the Senior Highway Enforcement Officer. The period of suspension will be dependent on the seriousness of the breach and the measures taken by the licensee to ensure future compliance with the regulations. Further breaches may result in the rescinding of the licence.

Any unauthorised items found on any site following a third warning or suspension/rescinding of a licence may be removed from the Public Highway and impounded without a further warning being served. Owners of objects so impounded will be given the opportunity to recover their property. Where appropriate a charge may be made by the Council for the costs of removal and storage.

The Council reserves the right to proceed with removal of offending items or prosecution under the Highways Act 1980 at any stage of the above procedure in any case involving gross or regular breaches of legislation.

Fees 2014-15

Objects on the Highway

(Tables and chairs, shop displays etc)

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| Initial application less than 5 square metres | £160 |
| Initial application 5 square metres or greater | £325 |
| Annual renewal fee per square metre | £21 |

A-board Licence

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| New A-board Licence first year | £100 |
| Annual renewal fee | £70 |

Agenda item XX Appendix 1

| Rec # | Recommendation | Response to 26 July 2010 Environment CMM | Update to June 2011 ECSOSC |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | In regulating and licensing the use of public highways the council should seek to strike a balance between the needs of competing interests. However this should be based on the premise that there should be free, unfettered access for all to public highways in Brighton and Hove. | Agreed | All placements are licensed to leave at least the minimum agreed pavement width clear for pedestrian access. 1 A board rule has been enforced. Licensing zones extended to London Road and Church Road 2011-12 |
| 2 | The panel supports the use of licensing zones for traders' items in specific areas of the city. Subject to its other recommendations, the panel endorses the policy regarding traders' items that was agreed at the meeting of Licensing Committee (Non Licensing Act 2003 Functions), Friday, 24 April, 2009 (Agenda Item 33). | Agreed | The conditions introduced in the new policy are highlighted in every licence application. Ongoing work with legal services to make the licences more user-friendly - to clearly convey the necessary information and conditions |

3 In addition to the licensing criteria above businesses seeking to place an A Board on public land should be required to: a) Evidence that there is insufficient private curtilage for A board to be kept off the public highway b) Commit to ensure the A board will be placed on an agreed area on the pavement marked by the council.

Agreed

All applications are visited before the licence is granted. If private land is noted the businesses are advised to keep their items on their own land.

A trial programme of marking A board positions will start In May and it is planned to have the majority of licensed sites marked by October 2011.

4 Clusters of A boards should be combined into a single standard advertising board. The council should provide these in a single City-wide design livery that can be added to by individual retailers.

Recognise the issue the recommendation seeks to address. In taking this forward however the cost of the board should be met by traders. Legal advice is that the design/wording of the board would need to be carefully thought out as the council cannot be seen to be promoting any particular business. Suggest that this is progressed with recommendation 15. Practicalities of this need to be explored further including what can be reasonably accommodated in narrow streets, regular maintenance, etc. With regards to planning considerations, a single standard board advertising businesses in a street or block may be acceptable, subject to their number, size and location and approval of advertisement consent. A single hanging sign to each business premises, rather than an A board, may also be acceptable, subject to their size, appearance and location,

Research into possible options is in progress. Officers are looking at provision for Baker Street traders following the extension of the licensing zones into London Road.

Research is at an early stage but we now have several businesses interested in the proposal and initial potential designs are being considered. (see earlier response for factors that must be taken into account).

the detailed policy guidance in
Supplementary Planning
Document SPD07
Advertisements and, where
necessary, approval of
advertisement consent.

5 Businesses with tables and chairs on the public highway should be required to partition their external seating from the footway. Areas licensed for tables and chairs should be marked

Agreed with the addition that this should not apply in exceptional circumstances. Exceptional circumstances would apply to small single operators with less than 4m² licensed area. This is because of the concerns for very small businesses on smaller streets such as little single shop-front cafes where just 2 chairs or one table may be placed outside. Officers believe this will add to street clutter rather than contain or reduce it in some circumstances particularly for smaller placements. In order to be safe, barriers need a large base and therefore a large footprint. Where there are small placements on quite narrow pavements, the addition of barriers may narrow down the width to less than 1.3 metres and therefore mean that some businesses will be refused a licence. Whilst appreciating that this is a means of controlling overspill, it may disproportionately affect small local traders who have never

This is included within the licence conditions for all sites over 4m².

A trial programme of marking table and chairs placements will start in May and it is planned to have the majority of licensed sites marked by October 2011.

posed a problem. An alternative is agreeing to barriers being fixed to the highway but this is not a route recommended by officers because of the problems this causes e.g. when placements aren't out as well as for liability and maintenance purposes. Hence the recommendation to include the exceptional circumstance clause.

6 The council should provide compulsory guidance on the most appropriate design of partition to prevent them from causing an obstruction

Agreed

Condition 3.6 states that: The use and design of all such barriers must be approved in writing by the council.

7 Bicycles secured to inappropriate street furniture present a challenge to many people moving around the city. Investment in more on-street cycle storage should be prioritised.

Agreed. Pedal Cycle Parking Places (on-carriageway cycle parking) provision in the city is increasing following significant public demand. 14 sites (140 cycle parking spaces) having been delivered across the city in 2009/10. Another 10 PCPPs are due for implementation during 2010/11 following discussions

There have been seven PCPP's installed and there are a further three currently under construction. The locations have been identified though officer recommendation and suggestions from local residents and ward members. Improvements to the processes involved in the removal of

with local residents and councillors.

abandoned bikes have enhanced the efficiency of these facilities and also helped to remove obstructive abandoned bikes on the city's streets. Cycle Town funding will no longer be available after March 31st 2011 and the on-going programme of cycle facilities installation will depend on funding made available within the LTP3 programme and other sources of funding, such as local developer contributions.

8 Commercial bin storage on the highway should in general not be tolerated: a) No new planning permissions should be granted that do not include on-site waste storage b) Business that fail to utilise on-site storage facilities should be prosecuted quickly c) Council officers should investigate alternative arrangements where businesses are already trading and do not currently have on-site waste storage facilities

Agreed within the constraints of existing regulatory requirements. With regard to enforcement of bins on the pavement this can be done under city clean enforcement but consideration will need to be given to retrospective action. Fixed penalties can be issued to those not complying with Duty of Care legislation prior to full enforcement action. Under planning regulations, the provision of adequate refuse and recycling storage facilities on site would be required when considering planning applications for new development. Brighton & Hove Local Plan policies TR7, SU2 and QD27 require such facilities for reasons of safety to highway users, sustainability and the protection of amenity. Such facilities should be provided for new business uses in existing properties that require planning permission for change of use; however this could not be insisted on if it was not practical

City Clean will undertake enforcement action, where appropriate, against businesses and traders who do not contain their waste correctly.

City Clean are also working with Business Forums to raise this issue with a new leaflet advising businesses of their responsibilities

to provide facilities on-site and there was no material harm resulting from increased refuse/recycling generation.

9 Communal bins should not be permitted to obstruct public highway to less than 1.3 meters (as per the minimum agreed in recommendation 2). Where this is the case communal bins should be relocated. Accessibility of the public highway should be of greater importance when deciding where to locate a communal bin.

Agreed. Communal bins are sited with a minimum of 1.3 m gap on the highway. Consideration is given to visibility of road users and access when sites for communal bins are considered. Where possible, these are not located in parking bays.

Communal bins are sited to ensure there is no obstruction on the highway. Consideration is also given to visibility at road junctions and crossings.

10 Whilst parking was raised a number of times throughout the review members felt that this was too big an issue for this panel to look at. It is however recommended that where changes are made to parking regulations accessibility issues are considered as part of consultations

Agreed. Accessibility and safety issues are always considered when parking regulations are changed or introduced. However, there must be a period of consultation when introducing any sort of parking controls (from a double yellow line to a residents' parking scheme) so it cannot be guaranteed that the controls will always be accepted.

See previous response – accessibility is always considered. Where parking schemes or restrictions are agreed accessibility is usually improved due to the better regulation of parking.

11 The panel considers a robust, consistent enforcement regime of street access issues vital. Consideration should be given to utilising additional staff resource in monitoring and enforcing the streetscape. There should be given increased cross directorate/team working with officers able to undertake multiple enforcement regimes. This could include consideration of the use of civil enforcement officers, cityclean officers and PCSOs.

Agreed. Initial contact with the police has been positive and this will be followed up as soon as possible. Timescales for cross directorate/team working may take longer as may be affected by outcome of intelligent commissioning and new council structure before this can be fully put in place. However, discussions will take place with in-house teams and the police over the next 6 months. For enforcement, relevant delegated authority, correct training and good communication between teams are essential. Please note that teams already work in partnership e.g Environmental

Meeting with police, Cityclean and civil enforcement officers. Agreed to produce data sheet so that any officer can check extent of and any special conditions for each licensed area. Data sheets produced along with 2011-12 licences.

The licence conditions state that this data sheet must be kept accessible and be produced up on enquiry by any officers of the council or other agencies, elected members or members of the public.

Health, Civil Enforcement Officers, and Highway Enforcement with problematic or complex sites. Highway Enforcement has not been at full team complement over past 12 months so will make a difference to enforcement activity with properly resourced team.

12 Communication and coordination between officers undertaking work that affects the street-scene needs to improve. There appears to be a lack of coordination between different parts of the council that place items on the highway, license items to be placed on the highway and use items placed upon the highway. Overall responsibility for highway accessibility should be given to a named officer.

Agreed in relation to improved communication - council officers across various sections have been working together on a Street Design Manual which sets out principles and practices for good urban design and accessible streets so some of this recommendation has already been progressed through this route, and through "Public Space Public Life" meetings. With regard to a overall responsibility to a named officer, the council needs to identify who this is and where this best sits. It may not work if

Protocols have been drawn up for all street scene work. Commissioning/delivery restructure still ongoing

simply "added on" to existing work without the correct mandate (e.g. over other teams' work) and capacity to do this. This will need to be progressed properly over the longer term especially given current restructure subject to practical considerations.

13 Where traders' items are in breach of license condition two written warnings should be issued. Upon the third occasion of breach of license immediate confiscation by council officers should be undertaken.

Agreed for majority of A-boards but magistrates' court & rescinding of licensing is also an option and may be a better route for certain placements. Legal advice is needed around the removal of perishable goods. Storage and removal costs will be an issue for larger placements - the council does not have the facilities to remove or store numerous tables and chairs. Any enforcement actions are subject to the council's corporate enforcement policy which provides for a range of sanctions in order that officers can use the most appropriate enforcement for the

Since July 2010:

84 first warnings have been issued.

7 Second warnings

4 boards have been confiscated

The majority of businesses comply with our regulations following a first warning.

circumstance.

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| <p>14 The panel welcomes the willingness of Openreach to work with the council on the siting of utility boxes and supports the idea of creating a list of 'hotspots' where the re-siting of an existing box would be beneficial. The panel believes this could be usefully extended to other utility providers that locate items on the pavement.</p> | <p>Agreed. Highways & Planning are currently working with Openreach regarding the siting of new cabinets.</p> | <p>Ongoing</p> |
| <p>15 Considerable good will and a desire to work together was evident from traders and disability group representatives. The panel believes this should be acted upon and the council should facilitate on-going dialogue between different groups to review: a) Alternative forms of advertising that will reduce the impact on street accessibility and could become part of the city's culture b) How the city's café culture can meet the needs of mobility impaired residents and visitors</p> | <p>Agreed. The Communities & Equalities Team have agreed to facilitate this work.</p> | |
| <p>16 Implementation of recommendations arising from the scrutiny review should be monitored by OSC after six and twelve months with an invitation extended to those involved in this review to comment upon any impact.</p> | <p>Agreed</p> | <p>6 June 2011 review</p> |

| Number of Licenses issued | 2011-2012 | 2012-2013 | 2013-2014 | 2014-2015 to date |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|
| A- boards | 378 | 430 | 457 | 440 |
| Tables and Chairs | 253 | 267 | 278 | 280 |
| Shop Displays | 75 | 91 | 98 | 95 |
| Skips | 4160 | 2688 | 2152 | 1852 |
| Scaffolds | 1566 | 1477 | 1718 | 1497 |
| Hoardings | 51 | 49 | 46 | 95 |
| Materials | 61 | 56 | 61 | 55 |

| Reports received | 2011-2012 | 2012-2013 | 2013-2014 | 2014-2015 to date |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|
| A boards | 62 | 91 | 70 | 48 |
| Tables and Chairs | 46 | 41 | 53 | 36 |
| Shop Displays | 41 | 45 | 39 | 20 |
| Skips | 40 | 49 | 50 | 41 |
| Scaffolds | 62 | 60 | 153 | 38 |
| Hoardings | 16 | 20 | 29 | 11 |
| materials | 159 | 187 | 246 | 163 |
| Overhanging Vegetation | 435 | 530 | 365 | 434 |
| Abandoned Vehicles | 1172 | 1177 | 1276 | 1118 |
| Abandoned Bicycles | 820 | 1174 | 1072 | 1068 |
| Other | 65 | 85 | 102 | 117 |

| Income | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Skip & Scaffold | £144,836.20 |
| Table & Chairs | £95,937.65 |
| Other Fees | £18,226.08 |
| A Boards Income | £33,375.00 |
| Hoarding Income | £60,428.00 |
| Miscellaneous Income | £1,721.00 |
| | £354,523.93 |

LICENSING COMMITTEE (NON LICENSING FUNCTIONS)

Agenda Item 30

Brighton & Hove City Council

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|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Subject: | Hackney Carriage Fare Review | | |
| Date of Meeting: | 05 March 2015 | | |
| Report of: | Director of Public Health | | |
| Contact Officer: | Name: | Martin Seymour | Tel: 29-2550 |
| | Email: | martin.seymour@brighton-hove.gov.uk | |
| Ward(s) affected: | All | | |

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 To seek the Committee's approval and authority to advertise proposed fare increases following the hackney carriage trade's request for an increase in fares.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That Committee approves the proposed fare increases and authorises the Head of Regulatory Services to advertise the proposed variation in fares, and invite any objections in accordance with the legal requirements.
- 2.2 Agree that if no objections are made, or if any objections which are made are withdrawn, the varied table of fares will come into force in accordance with the statutory scheme.
- 2.3 Reconsider the matter at the next meeting of this Committee if valid objections are made but not withdrawn. As there are strict legal timescales relating to fare reviews a special meeting of this Committee may be required.

3. RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION/CHRONOLOGY OF KEY EVENTS:

- 3.1 The council may fix the rates for hackney carriage fares within the district as well as time and distance and all other charges in connection with the hire of a vehicle or with the arrangements for hire of a vehicle to be paid in respect of the hire of a hackney carriage. The council does not have the power to set private hire vehicle fares but historically the local operators follow the hackney carriage tariffs set by the council and meters are sealed by officers. It is council policy to use a formula to establish the highest rate of basic fares it will consider. The maximum fare that the formula would allow is £2.26 pence per mile. (As of January 2015). Any additions are negotiated separately. The running cost per mile on the proposed tariff sheet is not changing and equates to £2.20 which is below the formula limit.

- 3.2 Applications for hackney carriage fare increases are made through the Taxi Forum in accordance with the agreed formula approved by the Council. If the general consensus of the trade is in agreement with a fare increase, representatives of the trade will be called to a meeting to discuss any proposals with officers of the Council and the lead councillor of the licensing committee who will then present any proposal agreed by that meeting to the next available meeting of the Licensing Committee for their consideration.
- 3.3 The formula is a mixture of independent figures for average earnings, for vehicle standing charges and running costs and for vehicle insurance premiums. The figures for standing charges and running costs are produced annually by the AA. They are based upon engine size and new vehicle costs for petrol cars and diesel cars. An average of the two is used to calculate running costs to reflect the mixed nature of the city's taxi fleet.
- 3.4 For the purposes of the fare formula used for this report the middle price band of £18,000 to £25,000 for petrol cars and £22,000 to £26,000 for diesel cars has been used to ascertain vehicle-running costs.
- 3.5 The last hackney carriage fare increase occurred in July 2013. The hackney carriage trade now seeks a further increase.
- 3.6 Justification by the trade for an increase in fares is that the last change was in July 2013 since when the trade have absorbed fuel price increases. They recognise that fuel has fallen recently but may increase at any time and that fares have run consistently below the level that the Council's fare formula allows so is justified to ensure that businesses remain profitable whilst the proposed increase remains below the formula. The trade also require an increase so proprietors can maintain the high level of vehicle standard and specification for Brighton & Hove.
- 3.7 The proposal from the trade is for a reduction of the initial yardage from 480 yards to 320 yards in tariff 1, 2,4,5,6,7,9 & 10. This equates to 20p per journey.
- 3.8 Tariffs 3 & 8 remain unchanged.
- 3.9 Currently in the national league tables for fares Brighton & Hove is positioned 24 for Tariff 1 and 147 for Tariff 2 after the proposed increase it is estimated that the position will be 14 for Tariff 1 and 137 for Tariff 2.
- 3.10 The trade have requested that Credit/Debit card surcharges to be included in the tariff but officers have not had sufficient time to consult stakeholders but will do so if requested for any future proposals.

4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Licensing authorities have discretion to fix the table of hackney carriage fares within the licensing district. Demand of a fare greater than shown on the meter is prohibited except by prior agreement for journeys outside the district. Exercising this power offers passengers protection. Not undertaking a hackney carriage review may make businesses unprofitable and inadequate number of taxis to meet demand.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND CONSULTATION

- 5.1 The subject of the fare review is a constant agenda item at the council's hackney carriage and private hire consultation forum where all members of that forum are free to express their opinions. The forum members have delegated negotiations to selected representatives.
- 5.2 The procedure for presenting the trade's request for a review has been followed. This involves the trade's representatives making representations to the chair of the Licensing Committee (non Licensing Act 2003) and officers. The trade's representatives accept the recommendations as reasonable.
- 5.3 A meeting with the trade representatives, council officers and the Chair Licensing Committee (non Licensing Act 2003) was held on 19 January 2015 where a proposal was agreed in principle to go to the committee.

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 That members confirm their support for an increase in maximum fares and that the Head of Regulatory Services advertises the proposed variation in fares, and invites any objections in accordance with the legal requirements.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

7.1 Financial Implications:

The cost of advertising the proposed fare increases and regulation of the taxi trade will be met from the existing hackney carriage revenue budget. The fare levels are used by the trade, and are not an income stream to the Council.

Finance Officer Consulted: Steven Bedford

Date: 21/01/15

7.2 Legal Implications:

The power to fix fares for hackney carriages is provided by Section 65 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. The procedure is set out in the body of the report.

Lawyer Consulted: Name Rebecca Sidell

Date: 23/01/15

7.3 Equalities Implications:

The Law Commission's interim statement recommends that taxi legislation should make it clear that drivers are not allowed to charge passengers more for the time it takes them to board the vehicle, reflecting the Department for Transport best practice guidance.

7.4 Sustainability Implications:

The role of the taxi trade is included in the Local Transport Plan, which identifies

it as a key element in providing sustainable transport choices. It creates important links in the transport network to other forms of sustainable transport providing a seamless connection. It will contribute to three of the government's four shared transport priorities – reducing congestion, improving air quality and accessibility. Use of taxis for school transport, licensed vehicles using bus lanes, locating ranks at railway stations and the city coach station, approved use of liquid petroleum gas all contribute to reducing congestion and moving passengers quickly.

7.5 Any Other Significant Implications:

None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendix 1 Current tariff card.

Appendix 2 Proposed tariff card.

Appendix 3 % Change Sheet. (Tariffs 1,2 & 3)

Appendix 4 % Change Sheet (Tariffs 6,7 & 8)

Appendix 5 Fares Formula.

Appendix 6 AA motoring and fuel costs.

Appendix 7 National League Table for Tariff 1.

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| <p>Tariff 1 – NORMAL FARE Applies to all hiring's except those mentioned in tariffs 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 &10 Initial distance not exceeding 480 yards (approximately 439 metres) or 2 minutes 24 seconds or a combination of distance and time.</p> | £2.80 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | 20p |
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| <p>Tariff 3 - Late Night each Friday night and Saturday night only between the hours of 12 midnight and 6am the following day Initial distance not exceeding 640 yards (approximately 585 metres) or 2 minutes 24 seconds or a combination of distance and time.</p> | £4.40 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | 20p |
| <p>Tariff 4 - Christmas Day & Boxing Day between 9pm 24 December and 6am 27 December. New Year - between 6am and 10am 1st January Initial distance not exceeding 480 yards (approximately 439 metres) or 2 minutes 24 seconds or a combination of distance and time.</p> | £4.20 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | 30p |
| <p>Tariff 5 - New Year between 9pm 31 December and 6am 1 January Initial distance not exceeding 480 yards (approximately 439 metres) or 2 minutes 24 seconds or a combination of distance and time.</p> | £5.60 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | 40p |

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| <p>Tariff 8 - Late Night – each Friday Night and Saturday night only between the hours of 12 midnight and 6am the following day Initial distance not exceeding 640 yards (approximately 585 metres)</p> | £6.60 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance | 30p |

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| or 2 minutes 24 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | | and time. | |
| Tariff 9 - Christmas Day & Boxing Day between 9pm 24 December and 6am 27 December. New Year - between 6am and 10am 1 st January Initial distance not exceeding 480 yards (approximately 439 metres) or 2 minutes 24 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | £6.30 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | 45p |
| Tariff 10 - New Year between 9pm 31 December and 6am 1 st January Initial distance not exceeding 480 yards (approximately 439 metres) or 2 minutes 24 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | £8.40 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | 60p |

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| Extra Charges – that may be added to the metered fare by the driver | |
| **Fouling Charge | **£50.00** |
| **Booking Fee for telephone and pre-booked hiring's | **20p** |
| **The driver may charge any road charges or toll's where applicable (this must be agreed with the customer before hire commences) | |

The maximum number of persons this vehicle is licensed to carry includes children of any age.
Payment for out of city journeys may be requested by the driver in advance of the journey.
A person who hires this vehicle but makes off without paying the fare in full commits an offence.
An operator's account administration charges, including VAT at the current rate, agreed by prior contract, may be charged separately and if charged will form part of the fare for the purpose of any legislation.

Theses charges cannot be added by the driver to the fare shown on the taximeter.

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| <p>Tariff 7 - Late Night each day between the hours of 9pm and 6am, other than under tariff 8. Sundays – between the hours of 6am and 9pm. Bank or Public Holiday - excluding the times covered by Christmas and new year extra charge. Initial distance not exceeding 320 yards (approximately 293 metres) or 1 minute 12 seconds or a combination of distance and time.</p> | £5.70 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance and time. | 30p |
| <p>Tariff 8 - Late Night – each Friday Night and Saturday night only between the hours of 12 midnight and 6am the following day Initial distance not exceeding 640 yards (approximately 585 metres)</p> | £6.60 | For all or part of each subsequent 160 yards (approximately 146 metres) or 36 seconds or a combination of distance | 30p |

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CURRENT TARIFF

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| Name : TARIFF 1 Date: 05/08/13 Soiling charge: £50.00 Wait: 36 (secs) Flag fall: £2.80 A Initial yardage: 480 B Unit thereafter: 160 C Price unit : 0.2 D Initial Waiting Time (secs): 144 | Name : TARIFF 2 Date: 05/08/13 Soiling charge: £50.00 Wait: 36 (secs) Flag fall: £3.80 A Initial yardage: 480 B Unit thereafter: 160 C Price unit : 0.2 D Initial Waiting Time (secs): 144 | Name : TARIFF 3 Date: 05/08/13 Soiling charge: £50.00 Wait: 36 (secs) Flag fall: £4.40 A Initial yardage: 640 B Unit thereafter: 160 C Price unit : 0.2 D Initial Waiting Time (secs): 144 |
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| Name : TARIFF 1 Soiling charge: £50.00 Wait: 36 (secs) Flag fall: £2.80 A Initial yardage: 320 B Unit thereafter: 160 C Price unit : 0.2 D Initial Waiting Time (secs): 72 | Name : TARIFF 2 Soiling charge: £50.00 Wait: 36 (secs) Flag fall: £3.80 A Initial yardage: 320 B Unit thereafter: 160 C Price unit : 0.2 D Initial Waiting Time (secs): 72 | Name : TARIFF 3 - NO CHANGE Soiling charge: £50.00 Wait: 36 (secs) Flag fall: £4.40 A Initial yardage: 640 B Unit thereafter: 160 C Price unit : 0.2 D Initial Waiting Time (secs): 144 |
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| Distance (miles) | TARIFF 1 | | | TARIFF 2 | | | TARIFF 3 | | |
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| | Current | Proposed | % Change | Current | Proposed | % Change | Current | Proposed | % Change |
| Flag | £2.80 | £2.80 | 0.00% | £3.80 | £3.80 | 0.00% | £4.40 | £4.40 | 0.00% |
| 1 | £4.40 | £4.60 | 4.55% | £5.40 | £5.60 | 3.70% | £5.80 | £5.80 | 0.00% |
| 2 | £6.60 | £6.80 | 3.03% | £7.60 | £7.80 | 2.63% | £8.00 | £8.00 | 0.00% |
| 3 | £8.80 | £9.00 | 2.27% | £9.80 | £10.00 | 2.04% | £10.20 | £10.20 | 0.00% |
| 4 | £11.00 | £11.20 | 1.82% | £12.00 | £12.20 | 1.67% | £12.40 | £12.40 | 0.00% |
| 5 | £13.20 | £13.40 | 1.52% | £14.20 | £14.40 | 1.41% | £14.60 | £14.60 | 0.00% |
| 6 | £15.40 | £15.60 | 1.30% | £16.40 | £16.60 | 1.22% | £16.80 | £16.80 | 0.00% |
| 7 | £17.60 | £17.80 | 1.14% | £18.60 | £18.80 | 1.08% | £19.00 | £19.00 | 0.00% |
| 8 | £19.80 | £20.00 | 1.01% | £20.80 | £21.00 | 0.96% | £21.20 | £21.20 | 0.00% |
| 9 | £22.00 | £22.20 | 0.91% | £23.00 | £23.20 | 0.87% | £23.40 | £23.40 | 0.00% |
| 10 | £24.20 | £24.40 | 0.83% | £25.20 | £25.40 | 0.79% | £25.60 | £25.60 | 0.00% |

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| Distance (miles) | TARIFF 6 | | | TARIFF 7 | | | TARIFF 8 | | |
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| | Current | Proposed | % Change | Current | Proposed | % Change | Current | Proposed | % Change |
| Flag | £4.20 | £4.20 | 0.00% | £5.70 | £5.70 | 0.00% | £6.60 | £6.60 | 0.00% |
| 1 | £6.60 | £6.90 | 4.55% | £8.10 | £8.40 | 3.70% | £8.70 | £8.70 | 0.00% |
| 2 | £9.90 | £10.20 | 3.03% | £11.40 | £11.70 | 2.63% | £12.00 | £12.00 | 0.00% |
| 3 | £13.20 | £13.50 | 2.27% | £14.70 | £15.00 | 2.04% | £15.30 | £15.30 | 0.00% |
| 4 | £16.50 | £16.80 | 1.82% | £18.00 | £18.30 | 1.67% | £18.60 | £18.60 | 0.00% |
| 5 | £19.80 | £20.10 | 1.52% | £21.30 | £21.60 | 1.41% | £21.90 | £21.90 | 0.00% |
| 6 | £23.10 | £23.40 | 1.30% | £24.60 | £24.90 | 1.22% | £25.20 | £25.20 | 0.00% |
| 7 | £26.40 | £26.70 | 1.14% | £27.90 | £28.20 | 1.08% | £28.50 | £28.50 | 0.00% |
| 8 | £29.70 | £30.00 | 1.01% | £31.20 | £31.50 | 0.96% | £31.80 | £31.80 | 0.00% |
| 9 | £33.00 | £33.30 | 0.91% | £34.50 | £34.80 | 0.87% | £35.10 | £35.10 | 0.00% |
| 10 | £36.30 | £36.60 | 0.83% | £37.80 | £38.10 | 0.79% | £38.40 | £38.40 | 0.00% |

0.00%

AA Motoring Costs 2014 (January 15 Fuel Prices)

PETROL 18K-25K

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| <i>Standing Charges per year, £</i> | |
| Road Tax | 180 |
| Insurance | 481 |
| Cost of Capital | 355 |
| Depreciation* | 3,655 |
| Breakdown Cover | 50 |
| Total | 4,721 |

This value is 1.4 times (40% higher) than the AA value of £2611

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| <i>Standing Charges, pence per mile</i> | |
| at 5,000 miles per year | 94.43 |
| at 10,000 | 47.21 |
| at 15,000 | 31.48 |
| at 20,000 | 23.61 |
| at 25,000 | 18.89 |
| at 30,000 | 15.74 |

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| <i>Running Costs, pence per mile</i> | |
| Petrol | 12.34 |
| Tyres | 2.16 |
| Service labour costs | 4.55 |
| Replacement parts | 2.88 |
| Parking and tolls | 2.00 |
| Total Running Costs only, pence | 23.93 |

Total of standing and running costs as pence per mile

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| at 5,000 miles per year | 118.36 |
| at 10,000 miles | 71.14 |
| at 15,000 miles | 55.41 |
| at 20,000 miles | 47.54 |
| at 25,000 miles | 42.81 |
| at 30,000 miles | 39.67 |

Based on price of 108.9p per litre (January 2015) provided by the AA.
 The AA initial figure was 129.0p
 The AA say for each penny more or less, add or subtract 0.11 to AA figure in table of 14.55.

AA Motoring Costs 2014

DIESEL

22K - 26K

Standing Charges per year, £

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|-----------------|--------------|
| Road Tax | 180 |
| Insurance | 511 |
| Cost of Capital | 429 |
| Depreciation* | 3,665 |
| Breakdown Cover | 50 |
| Total | 4,835 |

*This value is 1.4 times (40% higher) than the AA value of £2618

Standing Charges, pence per mile

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| at 5,000 miles per year | 96.70 |
| at 10,000 | 48.35 |
| at 15,000 | 32.23 |
| at 20,000 | 24.18 |
| at 25,000 | 19.34 |
| at 30,000 | 16.12 |

Running Costs, pence per mile

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| Diesel | 10.78 | Based on price of 116.2p per litre (January 2015). Provided by the AA. |
| Tyres | 1.95 | The AA initial figure was 137.0 |
| Service labour costs | 4.77 | The AA say for each penny more or less, . |
| Replacement parts | 2.88 | add or subtract 0.09 to AA figure in table of 12.65 |
| Parking and tolls | 2.00 | |
| Total Running Costs | 22.38 | |

Total of standing and running costs as pence per mile

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| at 5,000 miles per year | 119.08 |
| at 10,000 miles | 70.73 |
| at 15,000 miles | 54.61 |
| at 20,000 miles | 46.55 |
| at 25,000 miles | 41.72 |
| at 30,000 miles | 38.50 |

Mileage 2013/2014 **£**

SE Average Earnings *1 (Median gross weekly earnings) 28,153

AA running costs *2
 per mile (based on 137.3 pence per litre) 0.397
 per mile (based on 142.4 pence per litre) 0.385
 0.782

Average cost per mile 0.391
 Cost of 30000 miles 11,726

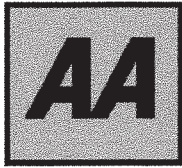
Insurance *3 802

Total 40,680

average per Mile (based on 18000 miles) **2.26**

NOTES

- *1 Data provided by ASHE 2014 (as of April 2014, published by www.statistics.gov.uk in November 2014)
- *2 Data provided by AA Motor Running Costs (www.theaa.co.uk). Depreciation value in calculations is 40% higher than standard AA value. Consistent with all previous calculations
- *3 Average of quotes from Westinster Taxi Insurance, £1937.34 Cabshield £2093.93, Coversure £1650.00). Average =£1893.76 -AA insurance £1092 = £1111 801.76

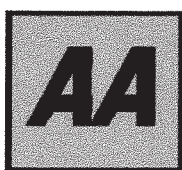


Motoring Costs 2014

Petrol Cars

| | | Purchase price of the car when new: | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| See note: | Standing charges per year, £ | Up to £13 000 | £13 000 to £18 000 | £18 000 to £25 000 | £25 000 to £32 000 | Over £32 000 |
| A | VED (Road Tax) | 110 | 145 | 180 | 283 | 609 |
| B | Insurance | 360 | 409 | 481 | 571 | 762 |
| C | Cost of capital | 203 | 251 | 355 | 494 | 877 |
| D | Depreciation | 1190 | 2156 | 2611 | 3672 | 6974 |
| E | Breakdown cover | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| Standing charges only: £ | | 1913 | 3011 | 3678 | 5070 | 9271 |
| Standing charges as pence per mile | | | | | | |
| | at 5,000 miles per year | 37.78 | 59.36 | 72.51 | 99.93 | 182.64 |
| | at 10,000 | 19.13 | 30.11 | 36.78 | 50.70 | 92.71 |
| | at 15,000 | 13.07 | 20.65 | 25.21 | 34.78 | 63.67 |
| | at 20,000 | 10.16 | 16.13 | 19.69 | 27.18 | 49.84 |
| | at 25,000 | 8.22 | 13.08 | 15.96 | 22.04 | 40.43 |
| | at 30,000 | 6.89 | 10.97 | 13.39 | 18.49 | 33.93 |
| Running costs, pence per mile | | | | | | |
| F | Petrol * | 10.84 | 13.12 | 14.55 | 16.22 | 18.04 |
| G | Tyres | 1.37 | 1.57 | 1.94 | 2.32 | 3.35 |
| H | Service labour costs | 2.10 | 2.07 | 2.09 | 2.04 | 2.34 |
| I | Replacement parts | 2.24 | 2.39 | 2.25 | 2.73 | 3.34 |
| J | Parking and tolls | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Running costs only: p. | | 18.56 | 21.14 | 22.83 | 25.31 | 29.06 |
| * NB: Petrol at 129.0 pence per litre | | | | | | |
| For each penny more or less, | | | | | | |
| add or take away: | | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.14 |
| Total of standing and running costs as pence per mile | | | | | | |
| | at 5,000 miles per year | 56.34 | 80.51 | 95.34 | 125.24 | 211.70 |
| | at 10,000 | 37.68 | 51.26 | 59.60 | 76.01 | 121.78 |
| | at 15,000 | 31.63 | 41.79 | 48.04 | 60.09 | 92.73 |
| | at 20,000 | 28.72 | 37.28 | 42.52 | 52.49 | 78.91 |
| | at 25,000 | 26.78 | 34.22 | 38.79 | 47.35 | 69.50 |
| | at 30,000 | 25.45 | 32.12 | 36.22 | 43.80 | 62.99 |

Please see the associated notes for more detail. These figures are typical but do not represent all types of vehicle and conditions of use. Once compiled, some of the variables may change at any time.



Motoring Costs 2014

Diesel Cars

| | | Purchase price of the car when new: | | | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| | | Up to £16 000 | £16 000 to £22 000 | £22 000 to £26 000 | £26 000 to £36 000 | Over £36 000 |
| See note: | Standing charges per year, £ | | | | | |
| A | VED (Road Tax) | 30 | 110 | 180 | 180 | 361 |
| B | Insurance | 424 | 499 | 511 | 601 | 771 |
| C | Cost of capital | 245 | 325 | 429 | 541 | 823 |
| D | Depreciation | 1705 | 2426 | 2618 | 3373 | 5197 |
| E | Breakdown cover | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| | Standing charges only: £ | 2454 | 3411 | 3788 | 4745 | 7203 |

Standing charges as pence per mile

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| at 5,000 miles per year | 48.40 | 67.24 | 74.71 | 93.55 | 141.98 |
| at 10,000 | 24.54 | 34.11 | 37.88 | 47.45 | 72.03 |
| at 15,000 | 16.81 | 23.38 | 25.95 | 32.53 | 49.40 |
| at 20,000 | 13.12 | 18.27 | 20.25 | 25.41 | 38.61 |
| at 25,000 | 10.63 | 14.81 | 16.41 | 20.60 | 31.31 |
| at 30,000 | 8.92 | 12.42 | 13.76 | 17.28 | 26.26 |

Running costs, pence per mile

| | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| F | Diesel Fuel * | 9.28 | 10.20 | 12.65 | 12.88 | 16.79 |
| G | Tyres | 1.15 | 1.49 | 2.06 | 2.02 | 2.87 |
| H | Service labour costs | 2.10 | 2.14 | 2.29 | 2.24 | 2.76 |
| I | Replacement parts | 2.73 | 2.43 | 2.53 | 2.99 | 3.44 |
| J | Parking and tolls | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| | Running costs only: p. | 17.26 | 18.25 | 21.54 | 22.14 | 27.85 |

* NB Fuel at: 137.0 pence per litre

For each penny more or less,

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| add or take away: | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.12 |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|

Total of standing and running costs as pence per mile

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| at 5,000 miles per year | 65.66 | 85.49 | 96.25 | 115.69 | 169.83 |
| at 10,000 | 41.80 | 52.36 | 59.41 | 69.59 | 99.88 |
| at 15,000 | 34.08 | 41.64 | 47.49 | 54.67 | 77.26 |
| at 20,000 | 30.39 | 36.52 | 41.79 | 47.55 | 66.47 |
| at 25,000 | 27.90 | 33.06 | 37.94 | 42.74 | 59.16 |
| at 30,000 | 26.18 | 30.67 | 35.30 | 39.42 | 54.11 |

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Fuel Price Report

January 2015



The pace of fall in petrol and diesel pump prices accelerated in December as supermarkets took advantage of plunging wholesale prices to compete for customers with cars. However, with oil needing to fall to \$40 a barrel at least but staying in the \$45-\$50 range, £1 a litre predictions look misplaced.

Unleaded prices are down 7.4p from 116.3 ppl to 108.9 ppl. **Diesel** prices have fallen 6.1p from 122.2 ppl to 116.1 ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has increased to 7.2 ppl.

East Anglia has recorded the highest price for **unleaded** at 109.4 ppl. The **North, Northern Ireland, South West and Yorkshire and Humberside** have recorded the lowest price for **unleaded** at 108.8 ppl. **Scotland** has recorded the highest **diesel** price at 116.9 ppl. **Northern Ireland** has the cheapest **diesel** at 115.7 ppl.

Supermarket prices for **unleaded** have fallen to 107.1 ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for **unleaded** has shrunk to 1.8 ppl.

| Garages and Supermarkets | Unleaded 95 Octane (pence) | | Diesel (pence) | | Super Unleaded (pence) | | LPG (pence) |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| | litres | (gallons) | litres | (gallons) | litres | (gallons) | litres |
| Northern Ireland | 108.8 | 494.6 | 115.7 | 525.98 | 114.4 | 520.1 | 0.0 |
| Scotland | 109.2 | 496.4 | 116.9 | 531.44 | 119.5 | 543.3 | 62.4 |
| Wales | 109.0 | 495.5 | 116.4 | 529.16 | 121.2 | 551.0 | 61.5 |
| North | 108.8 | 494.6 | 116.2 | 528.26 | 119.7 | 544.2 | 62.4 |
| North West | 109.1 | 496.0 | 116.1 | 527.80 | 123.3 | 560.5 | 0.0 |
| Yorkshire & Humberside | 108.8 | 494.6 | 115.9 | 526.89 | 125.7 | 571.4 | 63.2 |
| West Midlands | 109.0 | 495.5 | 116.2 | 528.26 | 122.8 | 558.3 | 67.9 |
| East Midlands | 109.0 | 495.5 | 115.9 | 526.89 | 121.1 | 550.5 | 61.6 |
| East Anglia | 109.4 | 497.3 | 116.5 | 529.62 | 116.8 | 531.0 | 63.9 |
| South East | 108.9 | 495.1 | 116.2 | 528.26 | 118.4 | 538.3 | 61.4 |
| South West | 108.8 | 494.6 | 116.1 | 527.80 | 118.2 | 537.3 | 60.3 |
| London | 108.9 | 495.1 | 116.0 | 527.35 | 118.3 | 537.8 | 63.9 |
| UK AVERAGE | 108.9 | 495.1 | 116.1 | 527.80 | 119.7 | 544.2 | 62.2 |
| Per cent taken as Tax | | 69.9 | | 66.58 | | 65.1 | |

| Supermarkets | Unleaded 95 Octane | | Diesel | | Super unleaded | | LPG |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| | Litres | (gallons) | litres | (gallons) | litres | (gallons) | litres |
| SUPERMARKET AVERAGE | 107.1 | 486.9 | 113.9 | 517.8 | 112.1 | 509.6 | 60.2 |
| Per cent taken as Tax | | 70.8 | | 67.55 | | 68.4 | |

The AA Public Affairs Fuel Price Report uses data sourced from Experian Catalist (www.catalist.com)
They are an average of mid-month prices from the respective regions.

National Fares Tables

FEBRUARY 2015

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Table Colour Code

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| RISE IN 2015 |
| RISE IN 2014 |
| RISE IN 2013 |
| RISE IN 2012 |
| RISE IN 2011 |
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| RISE IN 2009 |
| RISE IN 2008 |
| RISE IN 2007 |
| RISE IN 2006 |
| RISE IN 2005 |
| RISE IN 2002 |

| Pos. | Council | Tariff 1: | 2 Miles | Pos. | Council | Tariff 1: | 2 Miles | Pos. | Council | Tariff 1: | 2 Miles |
|------|----------------------|-----------|---------|------|----------------------------------|-----------|---------|------|-----------------------|-----------|---------|
| 1 | LUTON (AIRPORT) | | £9.20 | 74 | CHICHESTER | | £6.20 | 147 | BROMSGROVE | | £5.80 |
| 2 | WATFORD | | £6.40 | 75 | CREWE & NANTWICH | | £6.20 | 148 | EAST HERTS | | £5.80 |
| 3 | LONDON (HEATHROW) | | £2.80 | 76 | HORSHAM | | £6.20 | 149 | FYLDE | | £5.90 |
| 4 | EPSOM & E WELL | | £7.20 | 77 | LEEDS | | £6.20 | 150 | GLOUCESTER | | £5.80 |
| 5 | LONDON | | £7.30 | 78 | LINCOLN | | £6.20 | 151 | HAVANT | | £5.80 |
| 6 | DARTFORD | | £7.80 | 79 | MENDIP | | £6.20 | 152 | LEICESTER | | £5.80 |
| 7 | HERTSMERE | | £7.00 | 80 | NORTHAMPTON | | £6.20 | 153 | LEWES | | £5.80 |
| 8 | MID SUSSEX | | £7.40 | 81 | RUNNYMEDE | | £6.20 | 154 | MIDLOTHIAN | | £5.80 |
| 9 | SALISBURY | | £7.00 | 82 | SEDGEMOOR | | £6.20 | 155 | NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE | | £5.90 |
| 10 | GUILDFORD | | £6.90 | 83 | SOLIHULL | | £6.20 | 156 | NORTH WARWICKS | | £5.80 |
| 11 | VALE OF WHITE HORSE | | £6.30 | 84 | SOUTHAMPTON | | £6.20 | 157 | REIGATE & BANSTEAD | | £5.80 |
| 12 | CARADON | | £6.80 | 85 | ST ALBANS | | £6.20 | 158 | SELBY | | £5.80 |
| 13 | CARRICK | | £6.80 | 86 | STRATFORD ON AVON | | £6.20 | 159 | SOUTH AYRSHIRE | | £5.80 |
| 14 | COLCHESTER | | £6.80 | 87 | TAUNTON DEANE | | £6.20 | 160 | STOCKPORT | | £5.80 |
| 15 | EAST LOTHIAN | | £6.80 | 88 | TEIGNBRIDGE | | £6.20 | 161 | TAMWORTH | | £5.80 |
| 16 | HART | | £6.80 | 89 | WAVERLEY | | £6.20 | 162 | UTTLESFORD | | £5.80 |
| 17 | READING | | £6.80 | 90 | WEST OXFORD | | £6.20 | 163 | WEST SOMERSET | | £5.80 |
| 18 | KERRIER | | £6.75 | 91 | WINCHESTER | | £6.20 | 164 | EAST KILBRIDE | | £5.70 |
| 19 | WEST BERKSHIRE | | £6.70 | 92 | TORBAY | | £6.15 | 165 | EASTBOURNE | | £5.70 |
| 20 | WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND | | £6.70 | 93 | EASTLEIGH | | £6.10 | 166 | ISLE OF MAN | | £5.70 |
| 21 | ADUR | | £6.60 | 94 | ELMBRIDGE | | £6.10 | 167 | ISLE OF WIGHT | | £5.70 |
| 22 | BASINGSTOKE & DEANE | | £6.60 | 95 | NEW FOREST | | £6.10 | 168 | MANCHESTER | | £5.70 |
| 23 | Bournemouth | | £6.60 | 96 | NORTH HERTS | | £6.10 | 169 | MID DEVON | | £5.70 |
| 24 | BRIGHTON & HOVE | | £6.60 | 97 | SPELTHORNE | | £6.10 | 170 | MONMOUTHSHIRE | | £5.70 |
| 25 | CRAWLEY | | £6.60 | 98 | SWINDON | | £6.10 | 171 | NORTH SOMERSET | | £5.70 |
| 26 | EXETER | | £6.60 | 99 | SOUTH SOMERSET | | £6.08 | 172 | PLYMOUTH | | £5.70 |
| 27 | JERSEY | | £6.60 | 100 | CHARWOOD | | £6.05 | 173 | RYEDALE | | £5.70 |
| 28 | MAIDSTONE | | £6.60 | 101 | SHETLAND ISLANDS | | £6.05 | 174 | WELWYN HATFIELD | | £5.70 |
| 29 | MEDWAY | | £6.60 | 102 | ABERDEENSHIRE | | £6.00 | 175 | WORCESTER | | £5.70 |
| 30 | POOLE | | £6.60 | 103 | BRACKNELL FOREST | | £6.00 | 176 | CARLISLE | | £5.65 |
| 31 | TUNBRIDGE WELLS | | £6.60 | 104 | CANTERBURY | | £6.00 | 177 | VALE OF GLAMORGAN | | £5.65 |
| 32 | WAVENEY | | £6.60 | 105 | CARMARTHENSHIRE | | £6.00 | 178 | RYCOMBE | | £5.65 |
| 33 | WEALDEN | | £6.60 | 106 | CASTLE POINT | | £6.00 | 179 | BASILDON | | £5.60 |
| 34 | SHELFORD | | £6.60 | 107 | CHESTER | | £6.00 | 180 | BROXBORNE | | £5.60 |
| 35 | WOLE VALLEY | | £6.60 | 108 | DOVER | | £6.00 | 181 | EDINBURGH | | £5.60 |
| 36 | RESTORIEL | | £6.45 | 109 | EAST HAMPSHIRE | | £6.00 | 182 | FOREST HEATH | | £5.60 |
| 37 | ARUN | | £6.40 | 110 | RIFE | | £6.00 | 183 | GOSPORT | | £5.60 |
| 38 | BATH & N.E. SOMERSET | | £6.40 | 111 | GREAT YARMOUTH | | £6.00 | 184 | HINCKLEY & BOSWORTH | | £5.60 |
| 39 | CAMBRIDGE | | £6.40 | 112 | SPRICK | | £6.00 | 185 | NORTH KESTEVEN | | £5.60 |
| 40 | GRAVESHAM | | £6.40 | 113 | KENNET Now Wiltshire (East Zone) | | £6.00 | 186 | NORTH WEST LEICESTER | | £5.60 |
| 41 | GUERNSEY | | £6.40 | 114 | KETTERING | | £6.00 | 187 | NOTTINGHAM | | £5.60 |
| 42 | HARLOW | | £6.40 | 115 | LUTON | | £6.00 | 188 | PORTSMOUTH UA | | £5.60 |
| 43 | HARROGATE | | £6.40 | 116 | MILTON KEYNES | | £6.00 | 189 | WARFRESHIRE | | £5.60 |
| 44 | NALVERN HILLS | | £6.40 | 117 | NORTH DORSET | | £6.00 | 190 | RUSHCLIFFE | | £5.60 |
| 45 | NORWICH | | £6.40 | 118 | NORTH WILTSHIRE | | £6.00 | 191 | SANDWELL | | £5.60 |
| 46 | OXFORD | | £6.40 | 119 | ROCHFORD | | £6.00 | 192 | SHEFFIELD | | £5.60 |
| 47 | PURBECK | | £6.40 | 120 | SCARBOROUGH | | £6.00 | 193 | SOUTH DUCKINGHAM | | £5.60 |
| 48 | ROTHER | | £6.40 | 121 | SHEPWAY | | £6.00 | 194 | SUFFOLK COASTAL | | £5.60 |
| 49 | SOUTH CAMBRIDGE | | £6.40 | 122 | SLOUGH | | £6.00 | 195 | TAMESIDE | | £5.60 |
| 50 | SOUTH GLOUCESTER | | £6.40 | 123 | SOUTHEND-ON-SEA | | £6.00 | 196 | WOLVERHAMPTON | | £5.60 |
| 51 | SOUTH LAKELAND | | £6.40 | 124 | STEVENAGE | | £6.00 | 197 | WREXHAM | | £5.60 |
| 52 | STROUD | | £6.40 | 125 | TEST VALLEY | | £6.00 | 198 | WYRE | | £5.60 |
| 53 | SURREY HEATH | | £6.40 | 126 | THREE RIVERS | | £6.00 | 199 | DUNDEE | | £5.58 |
| 54 | WOKING | | £6.40 | 127 | THURROCK | | £6.00 | 200 | CHERWELL | | £5.56 |
| 55 | WOLINGHAM | | £6.40 | 128 | WARWICK | | £6.00 | 201 | DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL | | £5.55 |
| 56 | SEVENOAKS | | £6.32 | 129 | WEST DORSET | | £6.00 | 202 | CALDERDALE | | £5.50 |
| 57 | COUNTY OF HEREFORD | | £6.30 | 130 | WEST WILTSHIRE | | £6.00 | 203 | CANNOCK CHASE | | £5.50 |
| 58 | COVENTRY | | £6.30 | 131 | WORTHING | | £5.95 | 204 | CASTLE MORPETH | | £5.50 |
| 59 | GLACUM | | £6.30 | 132 | DARLINGTON | | £5.95 | 205 | CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE | | £5.50 |
| 60 | EAST DEVON | | £6.30 | 133 | TENDRING | | £5.95 | 206 | DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY | | £5.50 |
| 61 | PENWITH | | £6.30 | 134 | HIGH PEAK | | £5.92 | 207 | EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE | | £5.50 |
| 62 | SWALE | | £6.30 | 135 | TORRIDGE | | £5.92 | 208 | EAST STAFFORDSHIRE | | £5.50 |
| 63 | TONBRIDGE & MALLING | | £6.30 | 136 | CHRISTCHURCH | | £5.90 | 209 | EDEN | | £5.50 |
| 64 | YORK | | £6.30 | 137 | DUDLEY | | £5.90 | 210 | EPPING FOREST | | £5.50 |
| 65 | FOREST OF DEAN | | £6.27 | 138 | EAST DORSET | | £5.90 | 211 | GWYNEDD | | £5.50 |
| 66 | HARBOROUGH | | £6.27 | 139 | EAST LINSEY | | £5.90 | 212 | HAMBLETON | | £5.50 |
| 67 | NUNEATON & BEDWORTH | | £6.25 | 140 | HASTINGS | | £5.90 | 213 | HUNTINGDONSHIRE | | £5.50 |
| 68 | ARGYLL & BUTE | | £6.20 | 141 | RUSHMOOR | | £5.90 | 214 | MORAY | | £5.50 |
| 69 | ASHFORD | | £6.20 | 142 | WALSALL | | £5.90 | 215 | OLDHAM | | £5.50 |
| 70 | BIRMINGHAM | | £6.20 | 143 | NORTH DEVON | | £5.85 | 216 | SHROPSHIRE | | £5.50 |
| 71 | BRENTWOOD | | £6.20 | 144 | TEWKESBURY | | £5.85 | 217 | SOUTH HAMS | | £5.50 |
| 72 | BRISTOL CITY OF UA | | £6.20 | 145 | BLACKPOOL | | £5.80 | 218 | STAFFORD | | £5.50 |
| 73 | CHELTENHAM | | £6.20 | 146 | BRAINTREE | | £5.80 | 219 | TYNDALE | | £5.50 |

| Pos. | Council | Tariff 1 : | 2 Miles | Pos. | Council | Tariff 1 : | 2 Miles |
|------|-------------------------|------------|---------|------|-----------------------------|------------|---------|
| 220 | WANSBECK | | £5.50 | 293 | SOUTH HOLLAND | | £5.05 |
| 221 | SCOTTISH BORDERS | | £5.45 | 294 | SWANSEA | | £5.05 |
| 222 | GEDLING | | £5.44 | 295 | BLYTH VALLEY | | £5.00 |
| 223 | ABERDEEN | | £5.40 | 296 | CHESTERFIELD | | £5.00 |
| 224 | ANGUS | | £5.40 | 297 | CONWY | | £5.00 |
| 225 | BARROW IN FURNESS | | £5.40 | 298 | COPELAND | | £5.00 |
| 226 | CARDIFF | | £5.40 | 299 | DAVENTRY | | £5.00 |
| 227 | CHILTERN | | £5.40 | 300 | EREWASH | | £5.00 |
| 228 | CLACKMANNAN | | £5.40 | 301 | LIVERPOOL | | £5.00 |
| 229 | DERBY | | £5.40 | 302 | NEATH PORT TALBOT | | £5.00 |
| 230 | FAREHAM | | £5.40 | 303 | NORTH EAST DERBYSHIRE | | £5.00 |
| 231 | LANCASTER | | £5.40 | 304 | PETERBOROUGH | | £5.00 |
| 232 | MID SUFFOLK | | £5.40 | 305 | SOUTH LANARKSHIRE(clydsale) | | £5.00 |
| 233 | NEWARK & SHERWOOD | | £5.40 | 306 | SOUTH NORTHANTS | | £5.00 |
| 234 | NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE | | £5.40 | 307 | THANET | | £5.00 |
| 235 | PEMBROKESHIRE | | £5.40 | 308 | WEST LINDSEY | | £5.00 |
| 236 | PERTH & KINROSS | | £5.40 | 309 | STOKE ON TRENT UA | | £4.95 |
| 237 | RUGBY | | £5.40 | 310 | BRIDGEND | | £4.90 |
| 238 | SOUTH RIBBLE | | £5.40 | 311 | CHORLEY | | £4.90 |
| 239 | SUNDERLAND | | £5.40 | 312 | CLYDEBANK | | £4.90 |
| 240 | TANDRIDGE | | £5.40 | 313 | CONGLETON | | £4.90 |
| 241 | TRAFFORD | | £5.40 | 314 | FLINTSHIRE | | £4.90 |
| 242 | WEST LOTHIAN | | £5.40 | 315 | KINGSTON-UPON-HULL | | £4.90 |
| 243 | WINDSOR & MAIDENHEAD | | £5.40 | 316 | ROSSENDALE | | £4.90 |
| 244 | WYCHAVON | | £5.40 | 317 | TELFORD & WREKIN | | £4.90 |
| 245 | BROXTOWE | | £5.36 | 318 | WELLINGBOROUGH | | £4.90 |
| 246 | KINGS LYNN & W. NORFOLK | | £5.36 | 319 | REDDITCH | | £4.88 |
| 247 | BASSETLAW | | £5.35 | 320 | ALLERDALE | | £4.85 |
| 248 | RICHMONDSHIRE | | £5.35 | 321 | ASHFIELD | | £4.80 |
| 249 | BRADFORD | | £5.30 | 322 | CAERPHILLY | | £4.80 |
| 250 | BURY ST EDMUNDS | | £5.30 | 323 | DERBYSHIRE DALES | | £4.80 |
| 251 | COTSWOLD | | £5.30 | 324 | DONCASTER | | £4.80 |
| 252 | CRAVEN | | £5.30 | 325 | HAMILTON | | £4.80 |
| 253 | DUNBARTON | | £5.30 | 326 | INVERCLYDE | | £4.80 |
| 254 | FENLAND | | £5.30 | 327 | MANSFIELD | | £4.80 |
| 255 | LICHFIELD | | £5.30 | 328 | NORTH AYRSHIRE | | £4.80 |
| 256 | MELTON | | £5.30 | 329 | ROCHDALE | | £4.80 |
| 257 | NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE | | £5.30 | 330 | ROTHERHAM | | £4.80 |
| 258 | NORTH NORFOLK | | £5.30 | 331 | RUTHERGLEN | | £4.80 |
| 259 | RIBBLE VALLEY | | £5.30 | 332 | TORFAEN | | £4.80 |
| 260 | WYRE FOREST | | £5.30 | 333 | STAFFS MOORLANDS | | £4.75 |
| 261 | SALFORD | | £5.26 | 334 | BARNSELY | | £4.70 |
| 262 | VALE ROYAL | | £5.25 | 335 | BERWICK ON TWEED | | £4.70 |
| 263 | BLABY | | £5.24 | 336 | BLACKBURN | | £4.70 |
| 264 | BEDFORD | | £5.20 | 337 | EAST AYRSHIRE | | £4.70 |
| 265 | BOLTON | | £5.20 | 338 | EAST NORTHANTS | | £4.70 |
| 266 | BOSTON | | £5.20 | 339 | FALKIRK | | £4.70 |
| 267 | BURY | | £5.20 | 340 | HIGHLANDS | | £4.70 |
| 268 | DENBIGHSHIRE | | £5.20 | 341 | HYNDBURN | | £4.70 |
| 269 | ELLESMERE PORT | | £5.20 | 342 | WEST LANCASHIRE | | £4.70 |
| 270 | GLASGOW | | £5.20 | 343 | EAST DUNBARTONSHIRE | | £4.60 |
| 271 | HALTON | | £5.20 | 344 | EAST RENFREW | | £4.60 |
| 272 | MACCLESFIELD | | £5.20 | 345 | SEFTON | | £4.60 |
| 273 | NORTH TYNESIDE | | £5.20 | 346 | WAKEFIELD | | £4.60 |
| 274 | ORKNEY ISLANDS | | £5.20 | 347 | BURNLEY | | £4.50 |
| 275 | POWYS | | £5.20 | 348 | CORBY | | £4.50 |
| 276 | PRESTON | | £5.20 | 349 | MERTHYR TYDFIL | | £4.50 |
| 277 | RHONDDA CYNON TAFF | | £5.20 | 350 | REDCAR & CLEVELAND | | £4.50 |
| 278 | SOUTH TYNESIDE | | £5.20 | 351 | ST. HELENS | | £4.50 |
| 279 | STIRLING | | £5.20 | 352 | STOCKTON ON TEES | | £4.50 |
| 280 | WARRINGTON | | £5.20 | 353 | KIRKLEES | | £4.40 |
| 281 | WIRRAL | | £5.20 | 354 | KNOWSLEY | | £4.40 |
| 282 | YNYS MON | | £5.20 | 355 | NORTH LANARKSHIRE | | £4.40 |
| 283 | CEREDIGION | | £5.16 | 356 | OADBY & WIGSTON | | £4.40 |
| 284 | EAST RHONG | | £5.16 | 357 | PENDLE | | £4.40 |
| 285 | BRECKLAND | | £5.14 | 358 | AYLESBURY VALE | | £4.30 |
| 286 | AMBER VALLEY | | £5.10 | 359 | BLAENAU GWENT | | £4.30 |
| 287 | BABERGH | | £5.10 | 360 | MIDDLESBROUGH | | £4.30 |
| 288 | GATESHEAD | | £5.10 | 361 | NEWCASTLE-U-LYME | | £4.20 |
| 289 | NEWPORT | | £5.10 | 362 | WESTERN-ISLES | | £4.20 |
| 290 | SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE | | £5.10 | 363 | HARTLEPOOL | | £4.10 |
| 291 | WIGAN | | £5.10 | 364 | SOUTH KESTEVEN | | £3.50 |
| 292 | ALNWICK | | £5.05 | 365 | BOLSOVER | | £2.80 |

THE NATIONAL AVERAGE FARE

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Flag at T1 is now | £2.74 |
| Flag at T2 is now | £3.61 |
| 1 mile fare T1 is now | £3.79 |
| 1 mile fare T2 is now | £4.99 |
| 2 mile fare T1 is now | £5.65 |
| 2 mile fare T2 is now | £7.41 |
| 5 mile fare T1 is now | £11.22 |
| 5 mile fare T2 is now | £14.69 |
| 10 mile fare T1 is now | £20.64 |
| 10 mile fare T2 is now | £26.97 |
| Running mile on T1 is now | £1.86 |
| Running mile on T2 is now | £2.43 |

AREA FARE AVERAGES

Tariff One

| | Flag | 1 mi. | 2 mil. | 5 mi. | 10 mi. | Running Mile |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| East Anglia | £3.00 | £3.93 | £5.70 | £10.99 | £19.85 | £1.77 |
| Midlands | £2.70 | £3.67 | £5.43 | £10.66 | £19.40 | £1.74 |
| North | £2.46 | £3.51 | £5.23 | £10.36 | £19.00 | £1.72 |
| South | £2.94 | £4.21 | £6.19 | £12.19 | £22.54 | £2.00 |
| South West | £2.72 | £4.02 | £6.15 | £12.51 | £23.18 | £2.12 |
| Scotland | £2.73 | £3.52 | £5.29 | £10.59 | £19.49 | £1.78 |
| Wales | £2.82 | £3.32 | £5.16 | £10.65 | £19.79 | £1.83 |
| Nat. Avg. | £2.74 | £3.79 | £5.65 | £11.22 | £20.64 | £1.86 |

Tariff Two

| | Flag | 1 mi. | 2 mil. | 5 mi. | 10 mi. | Running Mile |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| East Anglia | £3.91 | £5.06 | £7.35 | £14.16 | £25.54 | £2.27 |
| Midlands | £3.58 | £4.86 | £7.18 | £14.07 | £26.02 | £2.32 |
| North | £3.03 | £4.35 | £6.54 | £13.09 | £24.00 | £2.19 |
| South | £4.05 | £5.80 | £8.61 | £16.73 | £30.68 | £2.75 |
| South West | £3.76 | £5.44 | £8.29 | £16.91 | £31.27 | £2.87 |
| Scotland | £3.43 | £4.32 | £6.27 | £12.13 | £21.88 | £1.90 |
| Wales | £3.57 | £4.20 | £6.58 | £13.66 | £25.46 | £2.36 |
| Nat. Avg. | £3.61 | £4.99 | £7.41 | £14.69 | £26.97 | £2.43 |