

Sarah Kits

From: Peter Jones
Sent: 07 May 2013 08:15
To: Licensing
Cc: Marc Jordan
Subject: FW: Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licensing Policy - Consultation [NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]


Good Morning,


I have been asked to feed the below back to you. Insp Jordan is concerned that private hire vehicles are not going to use a taximeter.

Many Thanks

Peter Jones ABII (7706)


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From: Marc Jordan
Sent: 03 May 2013 14:30
To: Peter Jones
Subject: RE: Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licensing Policy - Consultation [NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

Peter,

Baring in mind our NTE problems I am a little concerned that private hire vehicles are not required to use a taximeter.

Can this be fed back

Regards

Marc Jordan

Inspector 70392 Jordan
Loughton, Epping, Waltham Abbey & Ongar
Neighbourhood Policing Team Inspector
Loughton Police Station
ext 313120

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From: Peter Jones

Sent: 02 May 2013 12:27

To: Ed Wells

Cc: Marc Jordan; Russell Welch; Simon Dear

Subject: FW: Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licensing Policy - Consultation [NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]


Gents,


I have received the below regarding Taxies in EFD. Please read, and if you have any points to raise please do so either through me or direct to EFDC. I have attached an email showing a few comments I have made.

Many Thanks


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From: ian shaw
Sent: 08 May 2013 18:22
To: Licensing
Subject: hackney carriage & private hire consultation

As an existing licensed hackney carriage driver for over 10 years now licence number H112 i have to say it epping forest taxi licensing that have caused this issue of to many licensed taxi's with no where to operate from when i first applied for my taxi licence i had to provide details of which taxi office i was going to be working for before i was granted my licence it now seems that as long as you pay the licensing fees the council is happy to licence unlimited numbers of taxis with no office to work from creating the problem of the public being at best over charged and at worst ripped off buy some taxi drivers as it seems they can charge what they like.

Why i agree this cant go on and things have to change i feel that having every taxi fitted with a meter and the tariff set by the council you will create a two tear system as private hire drivers will be free to set their own tariffs and this will be unfair to the hackney carriage drives who will loose trade to the private hire operators.

For this reason many drivers and offices are thinking of changing over to private hire to stay in business but as i understand the licensing rules if i wish to go private hire i will have to surrender my hackney carriage badge which i don't really wish to do as i then would have to re apply as a new driver if i wished to work for another office as a hackney carriage driver so i think having a duel licence to allow me to operate either a hackney carriage taxi or a private hire car would be a good idea as this is the case in many other council licensed areas.

yours sincerely

I Shaw H112

Sarah Kits

From: Contact Us
Sent: 20 May 2013 10:46
To: Licensing
Subject: FW: Information request from your website

Good Morning. This enquiry came in via Contact us. Forwarded on for your attention. Regards, Michael Murray

-----Original Message-----

From: neil Sjoberg [mailto:
Sent: 19 May 2013 20:55
To: Contact Us
Subject: Information request from your website

[Your name] neil Sjoberg

[Your email]

[Phone number]

[Subject of Enquiry] Hackney can consuktation [Describe your request] That cabs should contain a large sized photo of driver with reference number and name so passengers can be sure they are being driven by a registered driver(not someone borrowing his cab) and rember the driver in case of futuire need.

We often send minors home from a round of golf on their own in a taxi after parental request. It would be nice to know who they are going with.

[Your Postal Address] The Epping Golf Course Flux Lane Eppin g CM16 7NJ

Epping Forest District Council - <http://www.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/index.php/contact-us>

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Sarah Kits

From: Nina Coulthard
Sent: 13 June 2013 20:17
To: Licensing
Subject: Hackney Carriage and Private Hire licensing policy

Dear Mrs Tuckey

Thank you for your invitation to view and comment on the above policy document, which I have read and found it to be very comprehensive and thorough. I have no other comments in respect of its content. It would, however, have been helpful for those of us not already familiar with the previous document, when being asked to consider an **amended** document, to have the amendments highlighted. I had no way of knowing what had been changed.

It may also be worth noting that the list of churches consulted seems to include a number of duplications (e.g. Restore Community Church and Waltham Abbey are both in twice) and some notable omissions (e.g. Loughton Methodist Church). I am sure local church leaders would be willing and able to help you with your data base of churches.

Yours sincerely

Nina M Coulthard (Revd)
St Michael and All Angels Church Loughton

Sarah Kits

From: Cllr Chris Pond
Sent: 25 June 2013 14:35
To: Licensing
Subject: Consultation re meters

From: Cllr Chris Pond, Essex County Council, Loughton (Central) Division

Dear Sirs

As county councillor for Loughton Central, I object to the parts of the proposals which require meters in cabs

1. Meters work by measuring distance and time. This transfers the risk and cost of traffic congestion, which is endemic in Loughton Central, from cab proprietor/driver to customer, and whereas I appreciate taxi drivers have a living to make, making taxi travel more expensive will tend to diminish, not increase, their business, and will be an added burden on customers, many of whom are elderly.
2. The proposal will involve owner-drivers in unnecessary expense and trouble in fitting meters and will advantage firms rather than owner-drivers
3. The time and trouble for checking and recalibrating meters is an unnecessary burden on enterprise and on public officials

I believe the objectives of fitting meters could be met by requiring drivers to exhibit a table of common fares in each licensed vehicle and to publish this on the Council's website.

Yours sincerely
Chris Pond

Sarah Kits

From: Vivienne Messenger
Sent: 25 June 2013 15:58
To: Sarah Kits
Subject: June - EFDC Hackney Carriage & Private Hire meter consultation
Attachments: June - EFDC Hackney Carriage & Private Hire meter consultation.pdf

Dear Sarah

Please see attached reply to EFDC's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy – Consultation on meters. Would you please confirm receipt if this letter attached?

Many thanks
Vivienne

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Dear Ms Kits

Re: Epping Forest District Council – Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy – Consultation

During discussion on this item at the Planning and Licensing Committee's meeting on 17 June 2013, members present were doubtful about the costs and benefits of meters to taxi customers and drivers, as there was no indication in the consultation on how meter fares would compare to the existing fare tariffs.

Consequently the Town Council's Planning and Licensing Committee objects to the proposal to require cabs to be fitted with meters on the following grounds:

1. The proposal to fit meters calibrated by distance and time transfers the risk and cost of traffic congestion, endemic in Loughton, from cab proprietor to customer. These customers are often elderly and/or infirm and should not be disadvantaged.
2. The proposal will involve owner-drivers in unnecessary expense and trouble in fitting meters and advantages large firms rather than small concerns.
3. The time and trouble for checking and recalibrating meters is an unnecessary burden on enterprise and on public officials.

The Committee believes the objectives of fitting meters could be met by requiring drivers to exhibit a table of maximum fares in each licensed vehicle and to publish the same on Epping Forest District Council's website.

Yours sincerely

Vivienne Messenger

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Planning Committee Clerk

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