



Report of the: Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance)

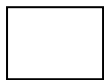
To the: Licensing and Regulatory Panel

Date: 3rd March 2009

Subject: QUARTERLY REPORT (OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2008) OF THE TAXI AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING SECTION

Electoral Wards Affected:

All



Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report details the licensing activity of the Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Section and the issues dealt with under delegated powers.

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

- 1.1 To provide information to Members of the Licensing and Regulatory Panel about licensing transactions undertaken by the Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Section. This report indicates licences that have been granted under Officers delegated powers in line with the Council's Constitution and the terms of Reference of the Panel.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 Members will recall that a number of different licenses are dealt with by the Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Section in Legal and Democratic Services. Officers have delegated powers to make decision on licence applications and the suspension and revocation of licenses which, on appeal, are heard by the Magistrates Courts.

3.0 Main Issues

3.1 Delegated Decisions

Attached at Appendix B are changes or alterations to existing Conditions which have been made since the last report of this nature.

- 3.2 A breakdown of licensing transactions is attached at Appendix A.

4.0 Implications For Council Policy And Governance

- 4.1 None

5.0 Legal And Resource Implications

- 5.1 None

6.0 Conclusions

- 6.1 That matters have been appropriately administered within the terms of the Constitution.

7.0 Recommendations

- 7.1 That Members note the report.

APPENDIX A

**TAXI AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING
LICENSING INFORMATION OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2008**

	TOTAL CURRENTLY LICENSED	LICENCES RENEWED	NEW LICENCE ISSUED	TRANSFERS	REFUSED	SUSPENDED	REVOKED	PROSECUTIONS
Hackney Carriage Driver	1058	287	9			2		2
Hackney Carriage Vehicle	537	137	47	17				
Private Hire Driver	5227	1105	206		8	44	4	41
Private Hire Vehicle	5566	823	676	219		171	3	
Permit Vehicle	70	19	8					
Permit Driver	849	150	25					

DELEGATED DECISION NOTIFICATION

REF NO ¹

DEPARTMENT

Legal Licensing & Registration – Taxi & Private Hire Licensing

SUBJECT ²

Delegate Approval of motor vehicles to be placed upon the 'Approved List' of Hackney Carriage saloons which may be licensed in the Leeds District

DECISION ³

COUNCIL FUNCTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	EXECUTIVE DECISION (KEY) <input type="checkbox"/>	EXECUTIVE DECISION (MAJOR) <input type="checkbox"/>	EXECUTIVE DECISION (OTHER) <input type="checkbox"/>																								
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<p>The following vehicles were examined by the identified technically qualified Officer of the Council on the dates shown and considered safe and suitable to be licensed as Hackney Carriages</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>VOLVO S60 D5 & 2.4D not sport</td> <td>04.02.2008</td> <td>Phillip Hatch Acting Senior vehicle Examiner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CHEVROLET EPICA</td> <td>24/06/2008</td> <td>Phillip Hatch Acting Senior vehicle Examiner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1. 2.0 VCDi LS</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. 2.0 VCDi LT</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. 2.0 VCDi LT Auto</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Volkswagen Passat 2005 1.9 TDI S & SE model 2.0 TDI S & SE model</td> <td>17/11/2008</td> <td>Phillip Hatch Acting Senior vehicle Examiner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mercedes E class E200 CDI E220 CDI</td> <td>25/11/2008</td> <td>Phillip Hatch Acting Senior vehicle Examiner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Not sport model MAZDA 6 (not Sports Model)</td> <td>02.08.2006</td> <td>Martino DePlacido Senior Vehicle Examiner.</td> </tr> </table>				VOLVO S60 D5 & 2.4D not sport	04.02.2008	Phillip Hatch Acting Senior vehicle Examiner	CHEVROLET EPICA	24/06/2008	Phillip Hatch Acting Senior vehicle Examiner	1. 2.0 VCDi LS			2. 2.0 VCDi LT			3. 2.0 VCDi LT Auto			Volkswagen Passat 2005 1.9 TDI S & SE model 2.0 TDI S & SE model	17/11/2008	Phillip Hatch Acting Senior vehicle Examiner	Mercedes E class E200 CDI E220 CDI	25/11/2008	Phillip Hatch Acting Senior vehicle Examiner	Not sport model MAZDA 6 (not Sports Model)	02.08.2006	Martino DePlacido Senior Vehicle Examiner.
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¹ This reference number will be assigned by Governance Services and notified to you

² A brief heading should be inserted

³ Brief details of the decision should be inserted. This note must set out the substance of the decision, options considered and the reason for deciding upon the chosen option, although care must be taken not to disclose any confidential or commercially sensitive information. Guidance on the substance of the note is available from Governance Services

⁴ For Key and Major decisions only. If exempt from Call In details to be provided in the report. The Call In period expires at 5.00 pm on the 5th working day after publication. Scrutiny Support will notify decision makers of matters called in by no later than 12.00 noon on the 6th day.

AFFECTED WARDS

All

ADVICE SOUGHT

	Yes	No
Legal	<input type="checkbox"/>	x
Finance	<input type="checkbox"/>	x
Personnel	<input type="checkbox"/>	x
Equal Opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/>	x
Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	x

DECLARED OFFICER / MEMBER INTERESTS⁵

None

DISPENSATION BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE

DATE:

BACKGROUND PAPERS⁶

None

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

YES NO x RULE NO 10.4⁷ ()

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN (OTHER REASONS/ ORGANISATIONS CONSULTED)

	Yes	No	Date
Executive Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	_____
Ward Councillors	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	_____
Chief Officers Affected	<input type="checkbox"/>		_____
Others (Specify) Hackney Carriage Association members	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	As indicated on inspection chart earlier

CONTACT PERSON

Des Broster

CONTACT NO

2143376

AUTHORISED SIGNATORY⁸

	DATE
	25.11.08

	KEY	MAJOR	OTHER
⁹ *First publication (5 day notice)			
In Commencement for Call			
Last date for Call In			
Implementation Date			

* If key decision not on Forward Plan, the reason and need that the decision be taken are that:

⁵ No officer having a pecuniary interest in any matter should take a decision in relation to that matter. Other interests of a non-disqualifying nature should be recorded here.

⁶ A separate Index should be prepared if necessary. ALL DOCUMENTATION UPON WHICH THE DECISION WAS BASED MUST BE RETAINED AND BE READILY ACCESSIBLE SO IT CAN BE PRODUCED SHOULD THE DECISION BE CHALLENGED

⁷ Access to Information Procedure Rules

⁸ The signatory must be duly authorised by the Director to make the decision in accordance with the Department's scheme. It is not acceptable for the signature to be 'pp' for an authorised signatory. For Key Decisions only, the date of the authorised signature signifies that, at the time, the Officer was content that the decision should be taken. However, should representations be received following public availability of reports the signatory will consider the effect which such representations should have upon the final decision.

⁹ Governance Services will enter these dates