

## **CLARIFICATION ON LICENSING OF RICKSHAWS**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1.1 To note the information contained in the report regarding the clarification on the licensing of rickshaws and agree to recommend to Council that the decision to allow Rickshaws to be licensed as private hire vehicles be revoked.

### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 2.1 On 9 July 2008, the Taxi Licensing & Appeals Committee agreed to licence Rickshaws and Tuk-Tuks as hackney carriages or private hire vehicles, subject to the applicant complying with the existing vehicle licence conditions and vehicle specifications. This decision was subsequently approved by Council.
- 2.2 At Committee on 22 July 2009, members were provided with legal information and advice that set out why it was not legally possible to licence Rickshaws as Private Hire Vehicles.
- 2.3 In order for this matter to be dealt with properly, it is necessary for this decision to be amended and approved by Council.

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**Background papers:** The Proposed Licensing of Tuk-Tuks and Rickshaws, 9 July 2008  
Rickshaw Update, 22 July 2009  
**List of appendices:** Appendix 1 – Implications

<b>IMPLICATIONS</b>
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**Financial**

1. None directly arising.

**Legal**

2. As previously set out to members.

**Personnel**

3. None directly arising from this report.

**Equalities Impact**

4. None directly arising from this report.

**Corporate objectives and priorities for change**

5. The recommendation contained in this report contributes to the corporate objective of **giving excellent services and value for money**.