

TAXI LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE 6 December 2012

ITEM 5

Report of the Strategic Director of Neighbourhoods

TAXI LICENSING AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES 2012/13 QUARTER 2

SUMMARY

1.1 The report provides information on the activities the licensing service has undertaken during quarter 2 of the 2012/13 financial year.

RECOMMENDATION

2.1 To note the contents of the report.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The information provided in this report is for member information only.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 The statistics for taxi licensing and associated licensing enforcement activities for quarter two of 2012/13 are attached at Appendices 2, 3, 4 and 5.
- 4.2 The information contained at Appendix 2 sets out the number of requests for service received by the Licensing Team and the number of licences issued during the period.
- 4.3 The information contained at Appendix 3 sets out the vehicle enforcement work carried out during the period. Using a risk-based approach, Licensing Enforcement Officers will often identify vehicles to inspect that appear to fall below the Council's standard for licensed vehicles. Therefore, it is important to recognize that these statistics do not indicate the general condition of all of the licensed fleet.
- 4.4 The information contained at Appendix 4 sets out the age of the vehicles that were inspected during each quarter.
- 4.5 The information contained at Appendix 5 sets out other enforcement related exercises undertaken throughout the period.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 Not applicable.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer	Olu Idowu
Financial officer	N/A
Human Resources officer	N/A
Service Director(s)	John Tomlinson
Other(s)	

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1.1 None directly arising from this report.

Legal

2.1 None directly arising from this report.

Personnel

3.1 None directly arising from this report.

Equalities Impact

4.1 None directly arising from this report.

Health and Safety

5.1 None directly arising from this report.

Carbon commitment

6.1 None directly arising from this report.

Value for money

7.1 None directly arising from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

8.1 The information set out in this report supports the corporate priorities so the people of Derby enjoy being safe and feeling safe and the Council provides good quality services that meet local needs.

TAXI LICENSING QUARTERLY STATISTICS

	REQUESTS FOR SERVICE	LICENCES ISSUED					
QUARTER 2012/13		HACKNEY	HACKNEY	ODEDATORS	DDIVATE LUDE	PRIVATE HIRE	
		HACKNEY VEHICLES	HACKNEY DRIVERS	OPERATORS	PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES	DRIVERS	
Q2 Jul - Sept	40 (38)	87 (103)	90 (89)	21 (21)	199 (188)	205 (216)	

() denote previous year 11/12

TOTAL NUMBER OF LICENCES CURRENTLY ISSUED (as at 27/11/12)					
Hackney Carriage Drivers	411				
Hackney Carriage Vehicles	312				
Private Hire Drivers	950				
Private Hire Vehicles	859				
Private Hire Operators	78				

VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS

VEHICLE INSPECTIONS								
Quarter	Туре	Number Inspected	Satisfactory	Advisory Defects	Vehicle Referred for Inspection	Serious Defects (Suspension)		
Q2 Jul - Sept	Hackney Carriages	59 (44)	9 (2)	24 (22)	11 (3)	15 (15)		
Q2 Jul - Sept	Private Hire	61 (51)	5 (11)	26 (19)	11 (7)	19 (14)		

VEHICLE SUSPENSIONS									
Quarter	Туре	Number Suspended	Serious Defects Identified						
Quarter			Lights	Brakes	Steering	Tyres	Suspension	Other*	
Q2 Jul - Sept	Hackney Carriages	15 (15)	2 (3)	3 (3)	1 (5)	2 (4)	4 (3)	11 (11)	
Q2 Jul - Sept	Private Hire	19 (14)	4 (2)	2 (0)	4 (4)	1 (6)	5 (1)	14 (8)	

^{*}Other refers to any defect outside the items listed in the "5 point safety check" (lights, brakes, tyres, steering & suspension) carried out by the testing stations during a spot check which can render a vehicle, if not always unsafe, certainly unfit for public service and/or in serious breach of licence conditions.

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^() denotes previous quarter figures

AGE INFORMATION OF VEHICLES INSPECTED

JUL – SEPT								
	HACKNEY CARRIAGES				PRIVATE HIRE			
Reg. No.	Suspended	Referred	Advised	ок	Suspended	Referred	Advised	ок
K	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
М	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Р	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R	1	2	1	0	0	0	2	0
S	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0
Т	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
V	3	1	3	1	1	2	1	0
W	3	3	2	3	0	2	2	0
Χ	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Υ	1	0	4	0	1	0	2	0
51	2	1	1	1	3	0	1	0
02	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
52	0	0	1	1	3	0	1	1
03	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	0
53	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0
04	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
54	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
55	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	0
06	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1
56	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	0
07	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
57	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0
08	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
09	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
60	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

OTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN

2 x joint exercises with traffic police:

- 40 vehicles stopped
- 6 satisfactory
- 18 advice
- 4 further inspection
- 12 suspended; 4 prohibited by police

1 x joint exercise with VOSA:

- 6 vehicles stopped
- 0 satisfactory
- 0 advice
- 0 further inspection
- 6 suspended; 5 prohibited by VOSA

Other Enforcement:

• 56 drivers of private cars moved on from taxi ranks