

Officer Delegation to Approve Types of Hackney Carriage Vehicles

Purpose

- 1.1 The report seeks approval to delegate the decision to approve types of Hackney Carriage Vehicles to the relevant Director.

Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 To delegate the decision to authorise the types of vehicles approved to be licensed as hackney carriages within the Council's administrative boundary to the Director of Public Protection and Streetpride, in conjunction with the Chair of Licensing.

Reason(s)

- 3.1 To help ensure a more efficient process for approving types of vehicles to be licensed as hackney carriages, particularly in light of the proposed changes being currently considered.

Supporting information

- 4.1 The types of vehicles approved to be licensed as hackney carriages within Derby City are listed in the Council's Specification for Hackney Vehicles.
- 4.2 Currently approval for this is sought from Committee following an inspection and subsequent report from officers.
- 4.3 The process is operational in nature; officers liaise with the requestor and undertake an inspection of the vehicle to ascertain compliance with the Council's Specifications for Hackney Vehicles.
- 4.4 The process can be time delayed because it has to fit in with the schedule of Licensing Committee meetings.

- 4.5 Currently, the Council is considering a number of changes to the licensing of both hackney carriages and private hire vehicles which is likely to lead to new hackney carriage vehicles needing approval.

Delegating the decision to approve types of vehicles to be used as hackney carriages to the Director of Public Protection and Streetpride, in conjunction with the Chair of Licensing, will ensure this process takes place more efficiently.

Public/stakeholder engagement

- 5.1 The process does not require any public or stakeholder engagement, the decision is operational in nature to ensure compliance with a set of approved requirements.

Other options

- 6.1 Take no action. However, retaining the existing process of seeking committee approval may delay the process.

Financial and value for money issues

- 7.1 None arising from the report.

Legal implications

- 8.1 None arising from the report.

Other significant implications

- 9.1 None.

This report has been approved by the following people:

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Legal	Lucie Keeler	08/01/19
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