

# Report

Report to:	<b>Licensing Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>3 December 2019</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (As Amended) - Licensing of Taxis – Door Stickers</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ♦ consider requests from the Taxi Focus Group to enable them to advertise their company names on the stickers which are placed on the front doors of the vehicle

## 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) to consider the request by the Taxi Focus Group to enable them to include their company name and contact details on the stickers affixed to the front doors of vehicles; and
- (2) that the Legal Services Manager in consultation with the Chair/Depute Chair be authorised to approve the sticker.

## 3. Background

- 3.1. At its meeting held on 8 February 1999 the then Administration and Licensing Committee agreed that the existing door stickers should be displayed on the front doors of taxis as per Appendix 1.
- 3.2. At its meeting held on 2 October 2018 the Licensing Committee agreed additional wording could be placed around the current private hire car door stickers.
- 3.3. At a recent meeting of the Taxi Focus Group it was requested that taxi companies be permitted to advertise their company name and telephone numbers on the front door stickers. Taxi operators can currently place advertising on their vehicles subject to approval by the Council.
- 3.4. It is proposed that the maximum size of the letters and numbers would not exceed 4.5 cms which is the size approved for the wording on private hire cars door stickers.
- 3.5. Police Scotland has been consulted and is in favour of the additional wording.

## 4. Employee Implications

4.1. None.

## 5. Financial Implications

5.1. None.

## **6. Other Implications (Including Environmental and Risk Issues)**

- 6.1. The risk to the Council is where it fails to fulfil its duty to protect the public.
- 6.2. There are no apparent implications in respect of sustainable development.

## **7. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 7.1 There is no requirement to carry out impact assessment in terms of the proposals contained within this report.
- 7.2. A consultation exercise has been carried out with Police Scotland and the Taxi Focus Group.

**Paul Manning**

**Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)**

8 November 2019

### **Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives**

- ◆ Making communities safer, stronger and sustainable

### **Previous References**

- ◆ Administration and Licensing Committee, 8 February 1999
- ◆ Licensing Committee, 2 October 2018

### **List of Background Papers**

- ◆ None

### **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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