

Report of	Meeting	Date
Director of Legal Services	Licensing and Safety Committee	12/10/05

PROPOSED INCREASE IN HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARES

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To present to members, a request made by the local Hackney Carriage Association for an increase in hackney carriage fares.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

2. This report has no direct impact on the corporate priorities of the Council.

RISK ISSUES

3. The report contains no risk issues for consideration by Members.

BACKGROUND

4. Hackney carriage fares were last increased in June 2004.
5. There are 30 hackney carriages licensed at present and the reason for the request is because of the continual increase in fuel charges and insurance premiums.
6. It is the responsibility of the Council to fix hackney carriage fares, after having agreed or otherwise the request by the hackney association. In effect once members have agreed a tariff a notice is placed in a local newspaper and a copy of the proposed increase is left on display at the Civic Offices reception inviting any objections. The period of notice shall not be less than 14 days from the date of first publication of the notice.
7. If no objections are received within the specified period or if any objections are withdrawn the table of fares shall come into operation on the date of the expiration of the period specified in the notice.
8. A comparison chart of other neighbouring authorities is attached to assist the Committee in reaching a decision.

COMMENTS OF THE HEAD OF HUMAN RESOURCES

8. Not applicable.

COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

9. Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION(S)



10. That members consider the request for a fare increase as proposed by the local Hackney Carriage Association.

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DIRECTOR OF LEGAL SERVICES

There are no background papers to this report.

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