

## APPENDIX B

### The hackney drivers association ltd

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TO the Chairperson  
Licencing Committee  
Chorley Council  
Chorley

#### **Objection to the increase in Council fees 2010/2011**

23 April 2010

Dear chair and members,

We The Hackney Drivers Association Ltd, On behalf of its members In Chorley hereby object to the increase in council fees for the year 2010/2011 which was approved for publication at the last panel meeting.

#### **Background**

The world as gone through the worst recession for a long time, and there are bad times to come in the next few years, along with the ban on smoking and the down turn in town centre, and passenger numbers dropping.

We now again facing the increase in Fuel which at writing this was around £1.20, per litre and more in some places

The trade can not keep supporting rises as much as it cant keep putting up fares to keep there standard of living, we take the point that 2% would not normally be objected to but time are hard and all of us have to make savings, and ever little amount keeps biting away at the earnings we don't wish to have an increase in fares this year.

We ask the members to think carefully before adding to an already trade which is suffering from lack of work people don't have the money to spend on taxis unless they have to.

We know that the increase is not much but there is something the council can do to

help the trade it licenses and play there part along with the trade and say on to any increase this year.

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Yours Sincerely,

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