

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES

CITY EXECUTIVE BOARD

Wednesday 11 September 2013

62. TAXI LICENSING: EURO EMISSIONS AND VEHICLE AGE LIMITS

The Head of Environmental Development submitted a report (previously circulated, now appended) concerning the age limits and euro emissions of Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Vehicles.

Councillor Colin Cook, Board Member for City development, presented the report to the Board. He confirmed that the taxi licensing trade had been consulted on this issue.

The Board noted that the Law Commission was due to report on the reform of Taxi and Private Hire Services at the end of 2013, but that any proposed reforms were unlikely to come into force during the lifetime of the current Government. The age limits proposed to Council would not take effect until after 1st January 2016 in order to allow both a lead in period for the taxi trade, and a period for further progress in relation to the Law Commission proposals.

Resolved to recommend to Council the following age limits for Hackney carriage and Private Hire Vehicles:-

- New Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles – 5 years;
- Existing Hackney Carriage Vehicles – 12 years;
- Existing Private Hire Vehicles -10 years.

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