

To: Council
Date: 18th February 2024
Report of: Executive Director for Communities and People
Title of Report: Licensed Vehicles Emission Standards Amendment

Summary and recommendations	
Purpose of report:	To agree the General Purposes Licensing Committee decision to delay the introduction of new emission standards for Hackney Carriage Vehicles licensed by this Authority by one year .
Key Decision:	No
Committee Chair with responsibility:	Cllr Mundy, Chair of the General Purposes Licensing Committee
Corporate Priority	Enable Inclusive Economy, Pursue a Zero Carbon Oxford
Policy Framework	Air Quality Action Plan, Low Emission Strategy, Sustainability Strategy
Recommendations: That the Council resolves to:	
1. Agree on a delay to the introduction of new emission standards to Hackney Carriage Vehicles licenced by this Authority by one year , as agreed by the General Purposes Licensing Committee.	

Introduction and background

1. On 5th February 2024 the General Purposes Licensing Committee heard a report to:
 - a) **Consider** the request made by City of Oxford Licenced Taxicab Association to delay the introduction of ultra-low emission standards for Hackney Carriage Vehicles licensed by this Authority;
 - b) **Consider** the results of a public consultation and statements submitted;
 - c) **Consider** the contents of this report and options set out in it;
 - d) **Agree** any amendments to the current emission standards for Hackney Carriage Vehicles licensed by this Authority;
 - e) **Agree** that any such amendments be recommended to Council for adoption.

A full copy of this report can be found on the Council website at:
<https://mycouncil.oxford.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=149&MId=7551>

Process and Decision

- On 5th February 2024 the General Purposes Licensing Committee agreed to delay the introduction of emission standards for Hackney Carriage Vehicles licenced by this authority by:

Delaying the requirement for all Taxis to be ULEV by **one year** (January 2026)

*Recommended by Oxford City Council Environmental Sustainability Officers and City Cllrs for Cabinet Member for Zero Carbon Oxford and Climate Justice and Taxi Licensing Portfolio Holder

Financial implications

- None

Legal issues

- None

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