

# OFFICER / CABINET MEMBER DECISION REPORT FORM

(NB. all decisions should comply with Article 13.2 of the constitution)

## 1. Decision made

1. That the uniform colour in respect of licensed Hackney Carriages should be silver; and
2. That the policy requirement be implemented three months from the date the proposed uniform colour is approved.

## 2. Identity of the Decision Maker

The Director of Environmental & Regulatory Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member of Development and Safety.

## 3. Date of Decision

10 October 2014.

## 4. Reasons for Decision

To implement Cabinet resolution of 15 July 2014 "Review of Licensing Policy, Guidance and Conditions for Private Hire and Taxis" delegating authority "to the Director of Environmental & Regulatory Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member of Development and Safety, to approve a colour and an implementation date for the uniform colour scheme policy following the further consultation."

## 5. Alternative options considered and rejected

The Council can choose not to approve a uniform colour but since the Council has already adopted this policy in principle this is not a realistic alternative option.

## 6. Background documents

- Cabinet report and minutes of 15 July 2014.
- Hackney Carriage vehicle colour consultation feedback.

## 7. Any Consultation undertaken

- Consultation with licensed trade on proposed uniform colour and implementation date.

**8. Results of consultation (where undertaken)**

In total 163 responses were received, 162 from licensed Hackney Carriage drivers and 1 from a Private Hire driver. The 162 responses represent 57% of the licensed Hackney Carriage trade of which there is currently a total of 282 licensed Hackney Carriage drivers.

There was an overwhelming 95% (154) of respondents who were in support of silver with 1% (2) preferring white and only 1 respondent opting for black. The remaining number of respondents did not indicate any preference.

In terms of the proposed implementation date, only 4 respondents disagreed with the proposed three months lead time for the uniform colour policy implementation.

**9. Any Conflict of Interest declared by an Executive Member who is consulted on the decision**

None

**10. Dispensation**

Was a dispensation given by the Head of Paid Service (Chief Executive) to Cabinet Members to participate in consultation on officer (or Cabinet Member) executive decisions where they have a conflict of interest in respect of any declaration of interest listed at 9 ?

	Yes	N/A
Date of dispensation .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**11. Supporting Report**

Attached.

Final report attached?	Yes	No
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**12. Confidential or Exempt Information**

Confidential or Exempt information?	Yes	No
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Name of document(s) which are confidential or exempt...

N/A

**Signature**.....

**Date**.....