From: Licensing (CBC)

Sent: 27 January 2025 18:13

To: tony taylor

Cc: Councillor Cathal Lynch

Subject: Re: New vehicle query HCV124

Good morning, Mr Taylor,

Thank you for your email.

I have checked with our democratic services team, and they are able to add an additional report onto next week's Committee meeting to determine this application. This will be held on 5th February at 6pm.

Jake will be in touch with further information and provide a copy of your papers.

Kind regards

Michelle

Michelle Bignell

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From: tony taylor

Sent: 27 January 2025 18:13

To: Licensing (CBC)
Cc: Louis Krog

Subject: Re: New vehicle query HCV124

Dear Craig,

Following on from our phone conversations and mine with Jake this evening. I would like to layout where I stand for you to pass on to Jake Johnson, first thing tomorrow morning please.

I cannot stress enough how urgent this is. I have been out of work since Christmas as my current car is behind repair and bills are mounting up.

I have also cc'd in Louis, because I believe he has helped out other drivers and I am really struggling here and losing earnings each day.

I have had numerous discussions with the team on different cars now and commercially the WAV does not make sense as there is limited silver cars on the market, within a reasonable price bracket that meet all your requirements.

I have sent numerous vehicles to you for approval, as evidenced in our email conversations.

I am one of the twelve drivers who at the last meeting I know were discussed and it was agreed that we would be able to change back to a car.

Two drivers out of the twelve who were present at this meeting, Martin white and Malcom Roger's have already been allowed to change back.

Two other drivers who gave up their plates durning the previous change over, have also recently been given these back with no stipulations. One was Simon Bailey.

I am just looking for consistency in the decision making for exactly the same request. Can you please look into these other cases for me for cross reference to my case?

The below car is available in Cheltenham for me to collect for a limited time, and this will allow me to not lose anymore income or my school run.



Today Jake told me I need to wait and hopefully within five weeks this will go to consultation and I will get a resolution. I cannot afford to be out of work another 5 weeks or more, can someone please help me.

Kind Regards

Tony Taylor
Plate number HC124

Sent from my iPhone

On 27 Jan 2025, at 10:58, Licensing (CBC) < <u>Licensing@cheltenham.gov.uk</u>> wrote:

Good morning Mr Taylor

Thank you for your email. The Ford Kuga would be fine. It is on our approved vehicle list.

In terms of the process of dropping to a saloon from a WAV, I have checked with my senior officer and we will be directly contacting all the drivers that are able to change back to confirm the process as soon as possible.

Many thanks

Craig Daly
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From: tony taylor

Sent: 27 January 2025 10:14

To: Licensing (CBC)

Subject: Re: New vehicle query HCV124

New and Used Cars For Sale

autotrader.co.uk

Many thanks Tony Sent from my iPhone

On 21 Jan 2025, at 17:27, tony taylor wrote:

Thanks for your efforts that's great news kind regards Many thanks Tony Taylor

Sent from my iPhone

On 21 Jan 2025, at 16:36, Licensing (CBC) < <u>Licensing@cheltenham.gov.uk</u>> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr Taylor

I can confirm we **would** be able to licence the vehicle you have shared. This would be a deviation from policy but on reviewing your circumstances would be acceptable on this occasion,

Many thanks

Craig Daly
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From: tony taylor

Sent: 20 January 2025 16:03

To: Licensing (CBC) < Licensing@cheltenham.gov.uk >

Subject: Re: New vehicle query HCV124

https://www.motors.co.uk/car-72764971

Would the council accept a like for like vehicle like this one

Regards Tony Taylor Sent from my iPhone

On 16 Jan 2025, at 15:00, Licensing (CBC) < <u>Licensing@cheltenham.gov.uk</u>> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr Taylor

I have discussed your query with a senior officer this afternoon.

Whilst we are sympathetic to your proposal, unfortunately we would not be able to present the proposed vehicle to our committee members regarding the vehicle colour which current policy does require to be silver on the wheelchair accessible vehicle's V5.

We would require all vehicle applications to meet all of our policy requirements, however if you can identify any other suitable vehicles which are silver but only a few months older than the 5 year age requirement, we would be able to present the application for committee members to decide.

Many thanks

Craig Daly
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From: tony taylor

Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2025 11:47 AM

To: Licensing (CBC) < Licensing@cheltenham.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Automatic reply: Used Peugeot Rifter 5 SEATS 1.5 Hdi WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE

DISABLED MOBILITY ADAPTED VEHICE WAV 5 Doors MPV for sale in Blackpool, Lancashire - Pickering

Motor Company

Dear sir

I am the owner of a licensed Hackney carriage that is a WAV plate H/C124 I have been a taxi driver for 40 years in Cheltenham, I find myself in a very awkward and frustrating position at the moment, my car has currently broken down and looks like possibly beyond repair. I contacted CBC licensing to explain that I am unable to find a vehicle that is silver and 5 years old, when you look for WAVs that fit the criteria there are only grey or different shades of grey but some look silver in appearance, I have found an example that I am sending to you but it is 6 months out of date being a 19 plate vehicle and grey,I am one of the older drivers who was forced to change from saloon to WAV I have the option to go back now but I have built up a lot of wheelchair business, I have tried to see if there is any wiggle room in the policy decision but I can't talk to anyone who has the authority to make a decision on this, silver is not a popular colour since 2019 although they look silver they are grey on the log book I would appreciate it if you could have a conversation with me about this, I am currently not working and have wheelchair work building up and cannot find a vehicle that fits the criteria I am sending you information on a vehicle that I have found that would be fine but it's grey and 6 months

older than the council's criteria, there are a lot of of different coloured vehicles out there that would be ideal with low mileage and different colours, I am looking to replace my WAV but I'm at a loss if possible could you please look into this or at least talk some sense to licensing many thanks Tony Taylor

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