

APPENDIX 4

Consultation Document sent to Hackney Carriage Drivers and Operators
17 August 2022

Dear

HACKNEY CARRIAGE TARIFF INCREASE CONSULTATION 2022

The Licensing Authority (High Peak Borough Council) has received a request from a number of Buxton Operators of Hackney Carriage Vehicles to increase the current tariff for Hackney Carriage public hire. The last Tariff increase was in June 2017.

The Operators have submitted the following statement in support of their request;

The decision to ask for a tariff increase is a delicate one, as the increase will mostly affect those who rely on taxi journeys the most, which is our ever-ageing population. But due to the pandemic and the ever-increasing costs to the business we have been left with no choice.

We have been considering to apply for a tariff increase for some time, but have held off doing this. Once that fuel hit £1.80 per litre we have been left without any other option.

PROPOSED TARIFF INCREASE

Tariff 1 increase from £3.00 to £3.50 for 8/10th click to increase from 30p to 35p per 10th

Tariff 2 increase from £4.00 to £5.00 for 8/10th click to increase from 40p to 50p per 10th

As fuel has now reached £1.95 per litre locally, we ask for this matter to be acted upon with as much speed as possible.

The Licensing Authority is ready to consider the request and in order to understand whether this proposed increase is supported by the wider Hackney Carriage Operators, I would be grateful if you could consider the following questions and respond by **31 August 2022**.

Please note that the responses will be collated and presented as a general report to the Council's Licensing Committee, who will make the decision.

Please return the completed document to licensing@highpeak.gov.uk or by post to PO Box 136, Buxton SK17 1AQ.

1. Do you agree that the Hackney Carriage Tariff should be increased at this time?

YES	
NO	
IF NO, PLEASE COMMENT	

If you answered Yes to the question above,

2. Do you support the proposed tariff fare increases as specified above?

YES	
NO	

If you answered No to Q2,

3. Do you have an alternative proposal?

YES – please describe	
NO	

Please note that if you make an alternative fee structure proposal, this will have to go to a further consultation with all Hackney Carriage Operators.

Thank you

The Licensing Team