

Licensing Policy

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4-1-10	DRIVER IN A ZONE:	This reads that a driver can work in a zone of choice but Licensing Committee told me personally that there will be only one zone consisting of the 4 sovereign areas. Which is true?	
5-12-1-1	Geographical Knowledge Test	Why, if a driver wishes to work in a particular zone in which he already works, why the need for another knowledge test? This is just another expense.	

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5-13-1	10 Year End of Vehicle rule	Assuming this is implemented in late 2022 17 of the 33 H/c in Wellingborough will be taken off. 2 of these are WAV, leaving only 2 WAVs. A year later another 4 H/c will need to retire. Therefore 21 of the 33 H/c will not be licensed. Drivers/Operators are unable to afford replacement vehicles with trade as it is,	

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S-13.5.	ALL WAV's.	Does the Council expect that operators will replace their taxis with WAV's? Very deluded with the result of no H/c in Wellingborough in the future.	
6.1.14	Lack of Wellingborough Hackneys	If this is implemented in 2022 Wellingborough will lose 17 h/c out of its fleet of 33 with another 4 leaving a year later. With an average of 2 fares per hour drivers will need to leave the trade due to the cost of new taxis	

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6.3.13	Self Charging WAV.	The current price of a self charging WAV is currently around £50,000. Yet the council expect drivers to be able to afford these on current takings? This will be the death knell for taxis in Wellingborough.	

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Do you have any other general comments or observations on the Councils Draft Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Policy and Conditions?

Regarding Front MOGO identification plates and brackets  
Have the Council satisfied themselves that potentially these could cause more harm to a pedestrian if shattered in a forward accident due to the brittleness.  
Have these fittings passed an anthropomorphic test device as car manufacturers spend time designing a vehicle so as to minimise harm to a vulnerable road user. Adding a brittle piece of plastic?

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Please provide the following information:-

Name of respondent .....

Representing Organisation (if applicable).....

North Northamptonshire Council Licence holder? YES/NO If Yes please state licence number .....

Contact telephone number .....

Contact e-mail address .....

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Thank you for taking the time to respond to this consultation exercise.

Please note that all comments must be received in writing by North Northamptonshire Council by **5pm on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022**. Any comments received after this date will not be considered as part of the consultation review.

All responses should be returned to: [licensing.BCW@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:licensing.BCW@northnorthants.gov.uk) marked with the subject header titled "**Taxi Consultation response**".

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