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Hi Damian,

We held a meeting for the Corby Hackney Owners Association last night and it was unanimously agreed for a request to increase the rates for a hackney fare.

I've attached some documents to back up our case for an increase, which we believe takes into consideration our needs as a trade but also takes into consideration how this would affect our customers.

We haven't requested an increase in 4 years and have absorbed as much as we can as a trade but we're really starting to feel the massive impact of the rise in the cost of living and fuel prices.

Our requested is for a 50p increase on the starting rate, taking it from £2.20 to 2.70 and a reduction on the yardage from 119 yards to 111 yards.

The increase in starting rate and yardage should see the 2-mile fare increase from £4.90 to £5.60. This is in line with the current national average of 70p according to NPHTA.

The yardage reduction still has us running the average mile at £1.60. This is about the same as Wellingborough and East Northants (still to put in for an increase) and considerably lower than Kettering (£2 per mile).

I hope you can pass this forward to be considered at the very earliest opportunity