

PROPOSED FEES - OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

OPTION 1

This option is an immediate increase in line with full cost recovery where appropriate.

All fee increases are 'front loaded' with the charge to the trade being immediate and sharp in order to fully recover costs and eliminate service deficit / Council subsidy

<u>Licence Type</u>	Existing Fee £	Proposed Fee £	Officer Comments
Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licences			
Private Hire Operators:			
Grant or Renewal	418.00	700.00*	This is a 67.5% increase in fees from 2014/15.
Private Hire Vehicles:			
Grant or renewal	150.00	164.00*	This is a 9.4% increase in fees from 2014/15.
Renewal – Extension	246.00	269.00*	This is a 9.4% increase in fees from 2014/15.
Grant – January only	75.00	75.00*	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Car-to-car transfer fee	126.00	126.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Car-to-car transfer – Admin fee	26.00	26.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Temporary car-to-car transfer fee	64.00	64.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Vehicle re-test fee	49.00	49.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Certificate of Compliance - Duplicate Copy	10.00	10.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Private Hire Drivers:			
Grant or renewal	78.00	95.00	This is a 21.3% increase in fees from 2014/15.
Replacement badge	13.00	13.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
DBS Administration Fee	11.00	11.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.

<u>Licence Type</u>	Existing Fee £	Proposed Fee £	Officer Comments
Drugs Test	44.00	44.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Geography Test – Each Separate Attempt	12.00	12.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Hackney Carriage Vehicles:			
Grant or renewal	196.00	303.00*	This is a 54.5% increase in fees from 2014/15.
Renewal – Extension	331.00	520.00*	This is a 57% increase in fees from 2014/15.
Car-to-car transfer fee	132.00	132.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Car-to-car transfer – Admin fee	27.00	27.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Temporary car-to-car transfer fee	66.00	66.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Vehicle re-test fee	52.00	52.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Certificate of Compliance - Duplicate Copy	10.00	10.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Hackney Carriage Drivers:			
Grant or renewal	88.00	176.00	This is a 100% increase in fees from 2014/15.
Replacement badge	13.00	13.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
CRB Administration Fee	11.00	11.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Drugs Test	44.00	44.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Geography Test – Each Separate Attempt	12.00	12.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.

Option 2

This option is based on a phased increase of fees over three years in line with cost recovery in order to reduce deficit and meet the expectations of the Licensing Committee.

This means that the cost of administering the licensing function is met fully from the fees charged. This takes into account rises in operating costs and offsets these costs using the phased increase over 3 years.

THREE YEARS					
Licence Type	Existing Fee	Fee Year 1	Fee Year 2	Fee Year 3	Officer Comments
Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licences					
Private Hire Operators:					
Grant or Renewal	418.00	497.00*	590.00*	700.00*	This is an 18.7% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Private Hire Vehicles:					
Grant or renewal	150.00	155.00*	159.00*	164.00*	This is a 3.05% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Renewal – Extension	246.00	254.00*	261.00*	269.00*	This is a 3.05% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Grant – January only	75.00	75.00*	75.00*	75.00*	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Car-to-car transfer fee	126.00	126.00	126.00	126.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Car-to-car transfer – Admin fee	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Temporary car-to-car transfer fee	64.00	64.00	64.00	64.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Vehicle re-test fee	49.00	49.00	49.00	49.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Certificate of Compliance - Duplicate Copy	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.

THREE YEARS					
Licence Type	Existing Fee	Fee Year 1	Fee Year 2	Fee Year 3	Officer Comments
Private Hire Drivers:					
Grant or renewal	78.00	83.00	89.00	95.00	This is a 6.8% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Replacement badge	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
DBS Administration Fee	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Drugs Test	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Geography Test – Each Separate Attempt	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Hackney Carriage Vehicles:					
Grant or renewal	196.00	227.00*	262.00*	303.00*	This is a 15.55% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Renewal – Extension	331.00	385.00*	447.00*	520.00*	This is a 16.2% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Car-to-car transfer fee	132.00	132.00	132.00	132.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Car-to-car transfer – Admin fee	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Temporary car-to-car transfer fee	66.00	66.00	66.00	66.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Vehicle re-test fee	52.00	52.00	52.00	52.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Certificate of Compliance - Duplicate Copy	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Hackney Carriage Drivers:					
Grant or renewal	88.00	110.00	139.00	176.00	This is a 26.2% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Replacement badge	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
CRB Administration Fee	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Drugs Test	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
Geography Test – Each Separate Attempt	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	No change in fee from 2014/15.
	*Denotes fees that are subject to statutory public consultation. For this option, any public consultation will only be in respect of year 1 and years 2 and 3 will be subject to review by the Committee on an annual basis prior to any public consultation.				

THREE YEARS						
Licence Type		Existing Fee	Fee Year 1	Fee Year 2	Fee Year 3	Officer Comments
	Members should note that increases in fees for years 2 and 3 would be subject to review and amendment depending on any further budget pressures, increase in revenue, rate of inflation etc.					

Option 3

This option is based on a phased increase of fees over the existing five year model (updated to show the remaining 4 years from 2015/16) in line with cost recovery in order to reduce deficit and meet the expectations of the Licensing Committee.

This means that the cost of administering the licensing function is met fully from the fees charged. This takes into account rises in operating costs and offsets these costs using the phased increase over 5 years.

FIVE YEARS						
Licence Type	Existing Fee	Fee Year 2	Fee Year 3	Fee Year 4	Fee Year 5	Officer Comments
Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Licences						
Private Hire Operators:						
Grant or Renewal	418.00	476.00*	541.00*	616.00*	700.00*	This is a 13.88% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Private Hire Vehicles:						
Grant or renewal	150.00	153.00*	157.00*	161.00*	164.00*	This is a 2.29% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Renewal – Extension	246.00	252.00*	257.00*	263.00*	269.00*	This is a 2.29% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Grant – January only	75.00	75.00*	75.00*	75.00*	75.00*	No change in fee from 2014/15

FIVE YEARS						
Licence Type	Existing Fee	Fee Year 2	Fee Year 3	Fee Year 4	Fee Year 5	Officer Comments
Car-to-car transfer fee	126.00	126.00	126.00	126.00	126.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
Car-to-car transfer – Admin fee	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
Temporary car-to-car transfer fee	64.00	64.00	64.00	64.00	64.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
Vehicle re-test fee	49.00	49.00	49.00	49.00	49.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
Certificate of Compliance - Duplicate Copy	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
Private Hire Drivers:						
Grant or renewal	78.00	82.00	86.00	90.00	95.00	This is a 4.95% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Replacement badge	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
DBS Administration Fee	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
Drugs Test	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
Geography Test – Each Separate Attempt	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	No change in fee from 2014/15
Hackney Carriage Vehicles:						
Grant or renewal	196.00	219.00*	244.00*	272.00*	303.00*	This is an 11.5% increase in fees each year from 2014/15.
Renewal – Extension	331.00	371.00*	415.00*	464.00*	520.00*	This is an 11.95% increase in fees each year from 2014/15
Car-to-car transfer fee	132.00	132.00	132.00	132.00	132.00	No change in fee from 2014/15

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