



Cabinet 25 March 2009

Policies, Procedures and Practices for the Provision of Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicles (Apr 09/13)

Report	Title	Recommendation
		<i>On 9 March 2009 the Licensing and Regulatory Committee considered reports concerning Policies, Procedures and Practices for the Provision of Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicles, and have recommended the following:-</i>
Z575	Proposed Introduction of Driver Assessment for applicants for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence	That any new applicant for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver Licence (including those who have previously held a licence, but allowed their licence to lapse for a period of more than one calendar month) shall be required to provide evidence of satisfactory completion of one of the following Driver Standards Assessments:- (a) a Driver Standards Agency (DSA) assessment for Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers; or (b) the Institute of Advanced Motorists (IAM) test; or (c) Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) Advanced Driver test.
Z576	Proposed Changes to Disciplinary Scheme for Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Licence Holders	That the Council's Disciplinary Code for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles, attached as Appendix A to Report Z576, amended that reference to 'Council appointed assessor' be replaced by 'Driver Standard Agency Assessment', be approved.
Z579	Proposed Changes to Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Conditions, Policy and Guidance	That, (1) proposed changes to the Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Conditions, Policy and Guidance, attached as Appendices A, B, C and D to Report Z579, subject to the amendments arising from Reports Z575 and Z576, be adopted; and (2) the Licensing Services Manager be granted delegated authority to amend the Guidance for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licence applicants only so far as to take account of any procedural changes or changes in legislation.