

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Review of policy to include the position where a vehicle has previously been licensed by this Licensing Authority agreed – Instruction to Director of Legal and Administration.

5 With reference to the minutes of 20th September 2023 (Print 4, page 101) agreeing to reintroduce an amended policy regarding the age of vehicles for private hire cars, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a request to amend the current policy on the age of private hire cars, advising that

- (1) of various background information in relation to the policy, which had come into effect on 1st September 2006, the terms of the policy being attached, as detailed in the report; and
- (2) of the process for the public consultation, which had been available on the Council's online consultation hub from 15th June to 11th August 2023 with an online link emailed to the Taxi and Private Hire Trade Group on 16th June and 9th August 2023.

After consideration, the committee agreed

- (a) to amend its current policy on the age of private hire cars, as detailed within paragraph 2.1 of the report; and
- (b) that standard condition 30 of a private hire car licence be amended to read as follows for the grant or renewal of such a licence:-

“The holder of a private hire car licence shall use as a private hire car any vehicle approved by the Licensing Authority and that vehicle shall not be more than 5 years old from the date of first registration when first licensed by the Licensing Authority, unless the vehicle has previously been a licensed private hire car within this Licensing Authority in the last year, and shall be taken out of service and replaced when it becomes 10 years old from the date of first registration”