Appendix 2

Amendments to Policy

Consultation document

Chapter	Description of amendment and consultation Question
Pg 2	Insertion of Executive Summary
Pg 3	Insertion of version control
Ch 1	Expansion of objectives to include environmental
	considerations
Ch 1	Detail of link to Transport Strategy
Ch 1	Updated information on list of wheelchair accessible vehicles (designated vehicles) and the responsibilities that drivers have to customers with protected characteristics under the 2010 Act.
Ch 2	Advertisements, signs and notices Addition to allow in car digital advertising if in accordance with the approvals contained in this Policy. Q1 Do you agree or disagree with the addition of an exception for in car digital advertisements? Please provide the reasons for your response.
Ch 2	Vehicle testing Q2 Which of the following options do you prefer: That the only testing station vehicles can use is one provided by North Tyneside Council? That other authorised testing stations within North Tyneside can also be used? I do not have an opinion on this proposal. Please provide reasons for your response.
Ch 2	Application procedure Insertion to allow applications to be made on line where available.
Ch 2	Tinted windows No minimum light transmission to rear of B pillar. Q3 – Do you agree or disagree that the Policy should be amended to allow windows with no minimum tint for all windows to the rear of the B pillar provided it is fitted as standard to the vehicle? Please give reasons for your response.
Ch 2	Emission/Age standards Insertion of age standards starting from 1 April 2020. Q4 Do you: a) Agree or disagree that an age standard should be
	 added to this Policy? b) Please give reasons for your reasons. c) If agree, do you agree or disagree with the age standards proposed in this Policy? d) If disagree, what alternative age standards would

	you suggest?
Ch 3	Driver knowledge/locality test
G., G	Q5 Do you have any comment to make on the proposal that
	there be restrictions on the number of attempts within a
	three month period? Please give reasons for your
	response.
Ch 3	Driver knowledge/locality test
	Q6 Do you believe the driver knowledge/locality test should:
	a) continue in its current format
	b) remove the locality element of the test for both hackney
	carriage and private hire driver applicants
	c) remove the locality element of the test for private hire
	driver applicants only? Please give reasons for your
	response.
Ch 3	DBS process
	Inclusion of mandatory requirement to sign up to the
	Disclosure and Barring Service Online Update Service.
	Q7 Do you agree or disagree with the mandatory
	requirement to sign up to the Disclosure and Barring
	Service Online Update Service? Please give reasons for
	your response.
Ch 3	New /renewal applications
- 	Insertion to allow applications to be made on line.
Ch 3	Incomplete applications
	Insertion to allow applications to be made on line and
	increase in time period to submit renewal application from 7
	days to 10 working days.
Ch 3	Insertion of need for drivers to be aware of conditions and
	byelaws.
Ch 4	Insertion of fitness test for Operators.
Ch 4	Insertion of need for operators to be aware of conditions.
Ch 4	Application procedure
	Insertion to allow applications to be made on line where
	applicable.
Ch 7	Hackney carriage and private hire drivers
	Insertion of Authority's ability to suspend, revoke or refuse
	to renew a driver licence if the driver convicted of an
	immigration offence or failure to pay an immigration penalty.
Ch 7	Section A – Guidance as to the Relevance of Convictions,
	Reprimands, Final Warnings, Cautions & Fixed Penalties
	Amendment from Regulation and Review Committee to
	Cabinet
	Clarification concerning convictions of abuse and
	exploitation
	Clarification on matters to be considered when assessing
	the fitness of a person to hold a licence.
Ch 7	Formal Cautions, Fixed Penalties or Community
	Resolutions
	Expansion of meaning of consideration of convictions
	Addition of Community Resolutions and clarification of all

	disposals that need to be referred to the Authority.
Ch 7	Offences of violence, discrimination and possession of a weapon
	Increase of time free from conviction for offences of
	violence, discrimination and possession of a weapon.
	Convictions following some offences will mean that a
	licence is not granted.
Ch 7	Sexual and Indecency offences
	Clarification of consideration of sexual and indecency offences.
Ch 7	Expansion of driving offences
	Q8. Do you agree or disagree with the proposal that the
	time periods during which a licence will not be granted is
	expanded for:
	a) drink driving and drug convictions
	b) using a hand-held mobile telephone or device? Please give reasons for your response.
Ch 7	Vehicle use offences
OII 7	Addition of offences which involve the use of a vehicle.
Ch 7	Licensing offences
	Q9. Do you agree or disagree with the time periods
	contained within chapter 7? Please give reasons for your
	response.
Ch 9	Decision making
	Update of information concerning Members Code of
	Conduct.
Ch 10	Addition of creation of rank using Road Traffic Regulation
01.40	Act 1984.
Ch 10	Waiting on stands and rank etiquette
	Addition of requirement to turn off engine whilst waiting or
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Removal from Policy	Appendix – list of ranks. This will be available from website and licensing office.