
Meeting of the Taxis Committee - 11th November 2021

Report of the Acting Director of Public Realm

Peugeot Premier Rifter

Purpose

1. To consider whether the Peugeot Premier Rifter should be licensed as a hackney carriage.

Recommendation

2. That the Committee consider the application made by Simon Guillatt of Allied Vehicles for permission for the Peugeot Premier Rifter to be licensed as a hackney carriage vehicle.

Background

2. The former Legal and Property Committee resolved on the 13th September 1989, that no vehicle shall be licensed as a hackney carriage vehicle unless such vehicle is a purpose built hackney carriage and is adapted to carry wheelchairs. The Committee also decided that all existing saloon cars licensed as hackney carriages should only be re-licensed until they reach the age of 10 years old.
3. At that time only two vehicles met that criteria, the FX4 (Black Cab) and the Metro Cab.



4. Since that date, the following vehicles have been approved:-

Date of Approval	Type of Vehicle
24.03.1993	Vauxhall Midi-cab
23.11.1995	Jubilee Taxi
21.10.1996	Transit Euro 2000
23.07.1997	Fiat Euro Cab 2000
15.03.2006	Nissan Primaster FX8
15.03.2006	Volkswagen Eurocab
08.06.2006	Volkswagen Shuttle Tiptronic City 75E
13.12.2007	Peugeot New E7
30.06.2008	Fiat Scudox L7/Peugeot Expert
09.12.2010	Renault NX8 Voyager
07.11.2011	Vauxhall Vivaro Combi SBW
13.11.2014	Voyager Ford Torneo Custom, Transit Custom

5. Mr Simon Guillatt of Allied Vehicles in conjunction with Mr Mohammed Ali (Waterfront Cars) have made application for the Peugeot Premier Rifter to be considered for licence as a hackney carriage. A copy of the brochure for the vehicle has been forwarded to Committee Members and interested parties and is attached to this report as Appendix 1.

6. The Fleet Compliance Officer at the Narrowboat Way Inspection Centre together with the Licensing Office inspected the vehicle on the 10th September 2021 and have made comments, which have also been forwarded to Committee Members and interested parties.



Finance

7. There are no financial implications.

Law

8. The law relating to hackney carriages is governed by the Town Police Clauses Act 1847, the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, and the Transport Act 1985.
9. The Council may from time to time licence hackney carriages of any kind or description adapted for the carriage of passengers.

Risk Management

10. There is no Risk Management implications.

Equality Impact

11. The licensing of Hackney Carriage vehicles and drivers will impact on children and young people through their transportation in licensed vehicles.
12. There has been no consultation or involvement of children and young people in developing these proposals.

Human Resources/Organisational Development

13. There are no organisational development/transformation implications.

Commercial/Procurement

14. There are no commercial/procurement implications.

Council Priorities

15. This application falls within the Council's responsibility for Taxi and Private Hire Licensing, which has a direct link to the Council's key corporate priority that safety matters.





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Appendices

Appendix 1 -Peugeot Premier Rifter Brochure.

List of Background Documents

None



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