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Cornwall Council Hackney Carriage (Taxi) / Private Hire Vehicle, Operator and Driver Licensing

Statement of Practices, Procedures and Policy

Cornwall Council, in its role as Licensing Authority, is responsible for licensing and regulation of the Hackney Carriage (Taxi) and Private Hire trade.

A new draft Policy has been prepared, which brings together all the Licensing Authority's practices and procedures for Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles, Private Hire Operators and Taxi/Private Hire Drivers into one document, with various appendices.

The draft Policy takes into account the statutory guidance published by the Government in July 2020, which is available at this web-link:
Department of Transport 2020 Statutory Taxi & Private Hire Vehicle Standards

The Council has a legal duty to have regard to the statutory guidance and the Department of Transport have stated they expect their recommendations to be implemented unless there is a compelling reason not to.

The draft Policy document together with the appendices is available at this web-link:-

https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/business-trading-and-licences/licences-and-street-trading/licenses-for-taxi-s-and-private-hire/public-consultation/

The Licensing Service would welcome your comments on all aspects of the draft policy; responses will be used to help inform any changes to the policy.

Please email <u>licensing@cornwall.gov.uk</u> with your comments no later than 7 February 2022.

Kind regards

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