

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference**E3423****Review of Hackney Carriage Tariff Rates**

Decision maker/s	Cllr Tim Ball, Cabinet Member for Planning and Licensing
The Issue	To review the hackney carriage tariff rates charged within the Bath and North East Somerset area for time and distance and to consider whether or not a rise in the tariff is appropriate.
Decision Date	21 December 2022
The decision	<p>The Cabinet Member agrees that, after consideration and subject to the required formal 14-day public consultation process and any objections subsequently received that an increase of 11.7% on the current fares should be implemented.</p> <p>In making this decision the Cabinet member has considered whether an 11.7% rise would negatively impact the visitors and public in the area of Bath & North East Somerset when comparing the existing tariff with other Local Authorities in the South West, and has also taken into consideration the informal consultation responses.</p>
Rationale for decision	Based upon the public consultation, over 50% of respondents supported the proposal.
Financial and budget implications	The cost of consultation and, advertising the tariff changes in the local papers, is met within existing service budgets and funded via the hackney carriage licence fee.
Issues considered	Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Equality (age, race, disability, religion/belief, gender, sexual orientation); Other Legal Considerations
Consultation undertaken	Ward Councillor; Cabinet colleagues; Parish Council; Town Council;; Service Users; Local Residents; Stakeholders/Partners; Other Public Sector Bodies;
How consultation was carried out	An online public consultation was carried out from July 2022 for eight weeks.
Other options considered	To retain the current approved Maximum Table of Hackney Carriage Tariff.
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision:	None

Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:	

Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s	Councillor Tim Ball Cabinet Member for Planning Bath and North East Somerset Council
Date of Signature	21 December 2022

Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision