

Cabinet Meeting Resolution

**Executive
Forward Plan
Reference**

E2308

Review of Hackney Carriage Tariff Rates

Date of Meeting	14-Sep-11
The Issue	<i>To review the Hackney Carriage tariff rates charged within the Bath and North East area for time and distance</i>
The decision	(1) To AGREE an increase of 5.64% on the current Hackney Carriage fares for time and distance.
Rationale for decision	In the 1980's Bath City Council adopted a formula to calculate a "fair" increase in the tariff rate. With only one or two exceptions this formula has been used every year to calculate the percentage increase. The adopted formula used for calculating the proposed tariff rate is one-half of the percentage increase in the Average Earnings Index plus one-half of the percentage increase in the cost of motoring. Using the formula the proposed increase calculates as 5.64%. The formula is based on the annual increase between the 1st April and the 31st March the following year. However, since the last review there has been a sharp rise in the price of fuel which has made a substantial increase in the running costs of Hackney Carriage vehicles. The proposed increase is in line with the formula that the Council uses to calculate an increase and is based on current information from the Office of National Statistics.
Other options considered	None
The Decision is subject to Call-In within 5 working days of publication of the decision	