Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licencing

Draft Consultation Letter – New Proposed Vehicle Seat Widths – January 2015

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

Seat Dimension Policy for Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Vehicles Licensed by Kettering Borough Council

This Authority has always operated a minimum seat dimension for licensed vehicles. Following issues with recent applications for licences, the Authority considers it timely to review this policy.

The attached proposed seat policy in relation to both hackney carriages and private hire vehicles is out for consultation with all current vehicle licence holders. This policy is being put in place to ensure the continuing safety and comfort of passengers travelling in vehicles licensed by this Authority

The new policy takes account of minor changes in seating dimensions in the current Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986 from those previously used by the Authority from 1976. These Regulations provide seating dimensions for minibuses and are the most appropriate legislative specification available for this Authority to base its standard on.

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At the end of the consultation period the draft policy and all responses will be put before a Licensing Committee for consideration.

If you have any comments that you wish the Committee to consider in relation to this policy, please provide them in writing to the Head of Environmental Health, Kettering Borough Council, Bowling Green Road, Kettering NN15 7QX by midday on 27 February 2015. E-mail will also be acceptable to licensing@kettering.gov.uk provided that full details of the author are provided.

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