		Executive 1st October 2014		Agenda Item No. 5	
Title			Request to increase the Hackney Carriage Fares.		
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Wards of the District directly affected			None		
Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006?			No		
Date and meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number			12 th March 2014		
Background Papers					
Contrary to the policy framework:				No	
Contrary to the budgetary framework:				No	
Key Decision?				No	
Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)				No	
Equality & Sustainability Impact Assessment Undertaken				No	
Officer/Councillor Approval					
Officer Approval		Date		Name	
Chief Executive/Deputy Chief Executive		16/09/14		Andy Jones	
Head of Service		16/09/14		Richard Hall	
CMT					
Section 151 Officer					
Monitoring Officer					
Finance		16/09/14		Mike Snow	
Portfolio Holder(s)		16/09/14		Michael Coker	
Consultation & Community Engagement					
If recommendations are agreed, proposed changes will be advertised for a 14 days consultation period.					
Final Decision?				Yes	
Suggested next steps N/A					

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 A petition was received in November 2013 by 127 Hackney Carriage Drivers requesting an increase in the current Hackney Carriage Fares and for these fares to be reviewed on an annual basis.
- 1.2 A further petition was received on the 5th September 2014 requesting a further increase on that requested in 2013.
- 1.3 Following the request of the Executive Committee on the 12th March 2014, Officers have obtained additional information regarding the expenses of the Hackney Carriage Drivers in order to allow the committee to fully assess the request made.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That Executive approves the 2013 requested increase of Hackney Carriage Fares with officer amendment as set out in the report.
- 2.2 That the Executive agree the implementation date for the new fare with reference to the advertisement of the proposed change and taking into consideration 2.3.
- 2.3 That Executive agree, if representations are received following advertisement, a further report be submitted to Executive to review the representations received.
- 2.4 The Executive agrees that reports should be submitted to Executive reviewing Hackney Carriage Fares from time to time.
- 2.5 That the Executive do not agree to the September 2014 request for an increase, as received from the Hackney Carriage Drivers.

3. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The results of the survey undertaken to establish the reasonableness of the fare increased requested by the Hackney Carriage Drivers can be found in appendix 1.
- 3.2 The analysis of these results is shown in appendix 2. This attempts to give an interpretation of the results gained in the survey in relation to the daily impact on the Hackney Carriage Drivers.
- 3.3 The 2013 petition requests an increase in the number of tariffs, the amount charged and the distance over which it is charges. Appendix 3 describes the tariffs and charges.
- 3.4 Currently, Tariff 1 is an existing tariff for use by all saloon style vehicles, which carry four or less passengers, and larger vehicles when carrying less than five passengers at other times than in 3.5. The drivers would like this tariff to be increased and to introduce the use of a third tariff as described in 3.6.

- 3.5 Tariff 2 is currently for use by all saloon style vehicles on evenings (between the hours of 23:00 and 05:00), Sunday, Bank Holidays and at all times the vehicle carries more than 5 passengers.
- 3.6 The petition proposed that this tariff will be used when a larger vehicle carries five or more passengers outside of the evening charge and not on Sundays or Bank Holidays. The petition proposes that the evening hours are also altered to between 22:00 and 06:00.
- 3.7 Whilst there is no identifiable reason for the change in times when the tariffs are applied, it would bring the hours in line with our neighbour Coventry City Council. However, Coventry Fares are lower than WDC's.
- 3.8 The petition proposes the introduction of a Tariff 3 for use by all vehicles at Christmas and New Year and when a larger vehicle carries five or more passengers during the evening hours or on Bank Holidays and Sundays. This is a new tariff which WDC does not currently operate.
- 3.9 Both Stratford-upon-Avon and Coventry already operate a three tariff system. However both authorities have a day, evening and holiday tariff. Stratford-upon-Avon taxis also charge an additional 50% of the fare when a vehicle carries 5 or more passengers. Appendix 3 shows a comparison of the current and proposed fares with Stratford-upon-Avon and Coventry City.
- 3.10 It is proposed by the driver's petition that the tariffs are set out to allow all vehicles to have a day charge, evening and festive season charge and a charge for larger vehicles which can carry five or more passengers. The table below shows when each tariff would come into effect.

	Day	Evening & Bank Holiday	Christmas Eve, Day, Boxing Day, New Year Eve and Day.
4 or less passengers	Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3
5 or more passengers	Tariff 2	Tariff 3	Tariff 3


- 3.11 Should the reviewed fares be accepted, WDC will move to 117th in the table with a two mile fare of £6.00. This will place WDC within in a band of 22 authorities. A two mile fare in Stratford would be up to 7% higher and Coventry City would be 4.7% higher. This position and percentage is subject to change following any fare reviews within the 364 authorities. Appendix 4 shows the extract from the Private Hire and Taxi Monthly.
- 3.12 Officers recommend that the use of Tariff 3 for vehicles with 4 or less passengers over the Christmas Eve, Christmas Bank Holidays, New Year's Eve and day is not accepted. This would be confusing for the customers and difficult for officers to enforce. It also puts those drivers taking larger groups fares at a financial disadvantage to the drivers taking smaller group fares. Officers would recommend that the Evening and Bank Holiday Tariffs begin at 18:00 on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve as an

alternative. The table below shows when the various tariffs would come into effect.

	Day (06:00-22:00)	Evening (22:00-06:00) & Bank Holiday's, Christmas Eve and New Year (18:00-22:00)
4 or less passengers	Tariff 1	Tariff 2
5 or more passengers	Tariff 2	Tariff 3

3.13 It is recognised that too high prices over the Christmas and New Year period would possibly discourage the use of the taxi services.

3.14 A new fare card would be created and would be replace those currently displayed in every WDC Hackney Carriage Vehicle. These would demonstrate the new fares as agreed by the committee and following the public consultation. An example fare card can be seen below:

HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARES EFFECTIVE FROM <<DATE>>			
	Tariff 1 < 4 passengers (Day*)	Tariff 2 < 4 passengers (Evening**) 5+ passengers (Day*)	Tariff 3 5+ passengers (Evening**)
Distance First 7/10 th Mile	£3.40	£5.10	£6.80
Subsequent Distance 1/10 th Mile	£0.20	£0.30	£0.40
Waiting Time 30 seconds	£0.10	£0.15	£0.20
Soiling charge		£75	
*Day =6am to 10pm **Evening & Bank Holidays =10pm to 6am. Except on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve =6pm-6am			

3.15 If the recommendations are agreed a public notice must be published for 14 days. During the 14 day consultation period any person may make a representation against the fare increase. It is proposed that the public notice will be published on the 6th October 2014.

3.16 The requirement to advertise the proposed changes allows those persons who believe themselves to be impacted by the changes to make representations for or against the proposals.

3.17 Any received representations will be presented to the Executive. At which point the committee will decide whether to modify the proposed table of fares.

- 3.18 If no objections are received during the consultation period the new fare tariff will commence on Monday 27th October 2014.
- 3.19 The petition requests that the fares are reviewed annually. This would allow the committee to assess the current fares and current economic position of the trade.
- 3.20 If the committee were to agree to this request, it would be advisable for the committee to link any review of Fare Increases to the Consumer Price Index, Retail prices index and inflation with reference to cost of fuel, insurance, license fees, servicing and maintenance costs.
- 3.21 It is reasonable to ensure that the fares are reviewed more frequently than every six years. However, it is not a requirement upon the authority to review them annually. Coventry City Council has agreed a three yearly review and Stratford upon Avon Council review their fares upon petition. Therefore it is recommended that they are reviewed from time to time.
- 3.22 Due to the delay in the consideration of a fare increase a further petition has been received which requests a further increase to the Hackney Carriage Fares.
- 3.23 This was received on the 5th September 2014 and is attached in appendix 5.
- 3.24 This petition requests the three tariffs as per the 2013 petition. However they request that the tariffs are applied in a different way and that the distances used a measures are altered. The use of tariffs and distances is described in appendix 3.
- 3.25 Example journeys and comparisons with other neighbouring authorities are described in appendix 3.
- 3.26 The 2014 petition requests a 100% increase on a tariff 2 and 3 fare if the driver is carrying >5 passengers. This means that the ultimate fare charge in these cases would be expensive and potentially impact on the use of the taxi services. The cost could make the use of taxis prohibitive to groups of people.

4. POLICY FRAMEWORK

- 4.1 None

5. BUDGETARY FRAMEWORK

- 5.1 If Executive agrees the recommendations within the report the Council have a legal obligation to publish details of the proposed changes in a local newspaper for 14 days at a cost of around £260.
- 5.2 All Hackney Carriage Drivers are required to display a current fare card in their vehicle. Therefore there would be a cost to the council of producing the cards and sending them to each owner.

- 5.3 The cost of recalibration the taxi meter would be the responsibility of the owner of the vehicle. Officers would monitor that this had occurred through their compliance checks.

6. ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S) CONSIDERED

- 6.1 Executive can take the decision to refuse the recommendations in the report.
- 6.2 Executive can agree to a fare increase of their choosing, subject to an advertisement of the proposed change.
- 6.3 The Executive can agree to some of the recommendations and alter or not others to an alternative figure of their choosing, subject to an advertisement of the proposed change.
- 6.4 The Executive can agree the Hackney Carriage Drivers petition for a fare increase without officer amendment.

7. BACKGROUND

- 7.1 In September 2013, WDC Regulatory Section received a request from 127 Hackney Carriage Drivers for the increase of the Hackney Carriage Fares and the inclusion of a third tariff. WDC currently licence 208 Hackney Carriage Vehicles.
- 7.2 Section 65 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 allows a Licensing Authority to fix the fares and all other charges in connection with the hire of a Hackney Carriage Vehicle in their area. This Authority is therefore responsible for regulating fares in Warwick District.
- 7.3 Under the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities)(England) Regulations 2000, as amended, this is an Executive function.
- 7.4 The legislation does not prescribe a timetable for revisions of Hackney Carriage Fares. The fares in WDC were last reviewed in February 2008, with an increase in these fares coming into effect in March 2008. WDC current fare card:



HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARES EFFECTIVE FROM 20th MARCH 2008

DISTANCE	FOR ANY DISTANCE UP TO ONE MILE	£3.40*
	FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT 220 YARDS (1/8 OF A MILE)	£0.20*
WAITING TIME	FOR EACH PERIOD OF 45 SECONDS OR PART OF 45 SECONDS	£0.10*
EXTRAS	SOILING CHARGE	£50.00
<i>BETWEEN 23:00 AND 05:00 AND SUNDAYS AND BANK HOLIDAYS AND WHEN A SUITABLE VEHICLE CARRIES 5 OR MORE PASSENGERS THE RATES MARKED* IN THE BOXES ABOVE ARE INCREASED BY 50%. THE ONLY RATES CHARGEABLE AT ANY TIME ARE FLAT RATE OR 50% EXTRA.</i>		

- 7.5 The original request from the drivers was presented to the Executive committee meeting on the 12th March 2014. The report is available upon request and the following extract is taken from the decisions of the meeting is detailed below:

6. Hackney Carriage Fare Increase – Request from Drivers

Following discussions, and in light of the comments from Overview & Scrutiny Committee, the Executive refused the recommendations in the report.

However, it was agreed that:

- 1) The existing fares be confirmed at their current rate;
- 2) The Executive fully supports the pending review of the policies and procedures relating to Taxi Licensing; and
- 3) As part of that review, officers be asked to negotiate with drivers about fare charges, and report back to Executive in due course.

- 7.6 Officers were asked to undertake a consultation with the Hackney Carriage Drivers in order to obtain the additional information requested by the Committee.
- 7.7 A third party contractor was engaged in order to undertake the consultation of the WDC's behalf. This was deemed to be appropriate to allay the fears of the Hackney Carriage Drivers that the gathered information would be used for other purposes and to remove the ability to identify specific drivers through their completed questionnaire.

- 7.8 The consultation period expired on the 10th June 2014 and the report received from the third party is enclosed as appendix 1.
- 7.9 As requested by Councillors, Officers have been working on the policies, procedures and standards applicable to the taxi trade. A Drivers and Operators Forum has been formed to enhance communication between WDC, the Police, the service users and the taxi trade.
- 7.10 A draft Convictions and Cautions Policy has been sent out for public consultation with a view to making the standard that WDC consider a person to be 'fit and proper' as required by the legislation, clearer and being it as a minimum, in line with our neighbouring authorities.
- 7.11 Officers are currently reviewing the Code of Conduct and Vehicle Standards Policies. Officers are also in the early stages of reviewing the 'Knowledge Test' and application process.

Appendix 1:



Hackney Carriage Fare Consultation Summer 2014

Final Report

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July 2014

On behalf of Warwick District Council

Hackney Carriage Fare Consultation

Survey Results

1. INTRODUCTION

In November 2013, Warwick District council received a petition from Hackney Carriage drivers requesting that Hackney Carriage fares should be increased.

The Council felt it had insufficient information in order to make an informed decision.

Therefore, Warwick District Council commissioned a third party to undertake the consultation on behalf of them in order to gain the additional information needed to help inform the decision making process. Stratford-on-Avon District Council has undertaken the work, which has ensured that no details of an individual's response have been seen by Warwick District Council.

2. METHODOLOGY

On 9 June 2014 all Hackney Carriage Drivers were posted a questionnaire and were asked to complete it by 9 July 2014. A freepost envelope was provided. A total of 208 questionnaires were distributed. 22 drivers completed the survey, representing a response rate of 10.6%.

3. RESULTS

How long in years have you held a Warwick District Council Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers Licence?

All 22 responded to this question, with results ranging from 1.5 years to 30 years.

- | | | | |
|-------|-------|------|------|
| • 1.5 | • 3 | • 10 | • 23 |
| • 2 | • 3.5 | • 10 | • 25 |
| • 2 | • 4 | • 11 | • 26 |
| • 2 | • 5 | • 11 | • 30 |
| • 2.5 | • 9 | • 14 | |
| • 2.5 | • 10 | • 20 | |

How long in years have you held a Warwick District Council Hackney Vehicle Licence/Plate?

All 22 responded to this question, with the most frequent length of time having the Licence/Plate of two years.

- 1
- 2.5
- 8
- 19
- 2
- 3
- 8
- 20
- 2
- 3.5
- 10
- 26
- 2
- 4
- 10
- 28
- 2
- 5
- 11
- 2
- 7
- 18

What is your Hackney Carriage Vehicle?

All 22 responded to this question and gave details of their Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

Make	Model	Engine Size (CC)	Petrol Tank Size (Litres)	Diesel / Petrol?	Age (Year of Make)	Number of seats
Audi	57	2000		Diesel		4 passenger seat
Peugeot	Expert	2000	60	Diesel	2012	7
Chrysler	300c	3000	75	Diesel	2008	5
Peugeot	Expert	2000	80	Diesel	2000	7
Citroen	Despatch	2000	Over 50	Diesel	2012	8
Volkswagen	Passat Highline TD140	1968	75	Diesel	2010	5
VW Passat	Passat	2000	63	Diesel	2008	5 (including driver)
LTI	TX1	2796	50	Diesel	1999	6
Fiat	Doblo Dynamic	1910		Diesel	2004	4
Peugeot	Expert E7 Taxi	1997	80	Diesel	2012	8
Peugeot	Expert	2000		Diesel	2010	7
Ford	Mondeo	2000	70	Diesel	2011	5
Ford	Mondeo	1978	60	Diesel	2007	5
Citroen	Combi Dispatch	2000	2	Diesel	2012	9 including driver
Citroen	Dispatch	2000	80	Diesel	2012	8
Citroen	Dispatch	2000		Diesel	2006	7
Citroen	Dispatch	2000	2	Diesel	2012	8 passengers
Citroen	Dispatch	2000	80	Diesel	2012	8
				Diesel		4
Fiat	Doblo Active	1910	60	Diesel	2006	5 seats
				Diesel		4
Citroen	Despatch	2000		Diesel	2010	8 seats (except driver)

When asked if they worked for a company all respondents said no. Despite this one respondent said they were paid a wage but the amount was unknown. The questionnaire at this point was incorrectly completed, as 9 drivers said they paid their expenses from their wage and no driver paid a percentage of their earnings to the company.

How many hours do you work each week?

The table below outlines the hours worked by drivers each week, by the different parts of the week. There was a wide range of responses, with all but one driver completing the question.

Day (Tariff 1)	Night (Tariff 2)	Weekend (Tariff 2)
10	10	15
18-30	5-10	15-20
40		
40		
40		
40		
	30	
75		
60	No	No
15	20	
	40	
36		8
	32	
25	NA	15
About 5-6 hour day		8 hours Fri-Sat - some time off
	Part time	
24	16	4
20		8
20	5	15
20		
	35	

How many miles does your vehicle get to the gallon?

The miles to gallon figures are shown in the table below. 26 to 30 miles to the gallon was the most frequent. The mean score was 29.8 miles to the gallon.

20-25	26-30	31-35	36-40
3	6	5	3

How much do you spend on fuel a week on average?

21 drivers responded to this question with the distribution in the table below. Four drivers spent over £85 a week on fuel.

£35-£50	£51-£70	£71-£85	£86 plus
5	6	6	4

How many miles do you travel on average each week?

The average mileage per week travelled was 325, with the distribution shown in the table below.

200-300	301-400	401-500	501-600
9	4	6	1

What is the average paid fare journey distance in miles?

The responses are listed below, as this question was not correctly answered by some drivers.

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|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £1 • £1.00 • £1.00 • £1.00 • £1.20 • £1.50 • £3.40 1st mile, after £1.60 • £3.40 first miles after £1.60 • £5 • 1.70 • 110-140 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-4 miles • 2 miles • 2/3 miles • 3 • 3.5-4 miles • 5 • 70 to 80p • 90p-£1.87 • day 3.40, night 5.10 • I earn from school run time £350-375 |
|--|--|

What is the average number of passengers per paid fare journey?

The responses are listed below, as this question was not correctly answered by some drivers.

- | | | |
|-----------------|-------|----------|
| • N/A | • 2/3 | • 2 |
| • I do not know | • 2/3 | • 2 |
| • 1-4 | • 2/3 | • 4 |
| • 3.40-5.00 in | • 1 | • 5 |
| daytime after | • 1 | • 3 or 4 |
| long wait | • 1 | |
| • 3-4 | • 2 | |
| • 3.40-4.00 | • 2 | |

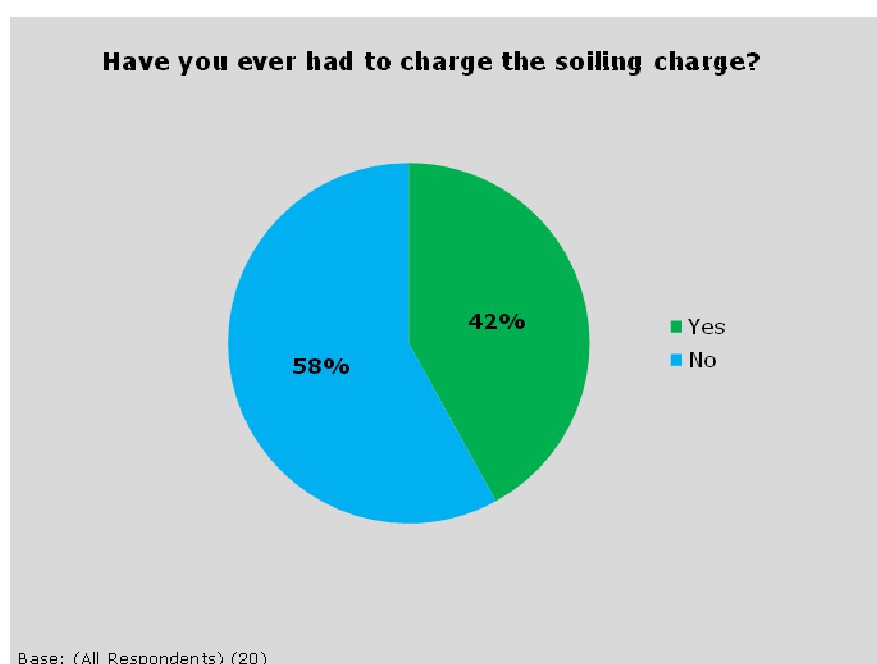
How much money do you take home each week before expenses e.g. petrol?

The distribution of responses from 19 drivers is shown in the following table. Six drivers took home between £351 and £400 a week before expenses.

£150-200	£201-250	£251-300	£301-350	£351-400	£401-450
4	3	4	1	6	1

Have you ever had to charge the soiling charge?

20 drivers answered this question and as shown in the chart below 42% had in the past charged the soiling charge.



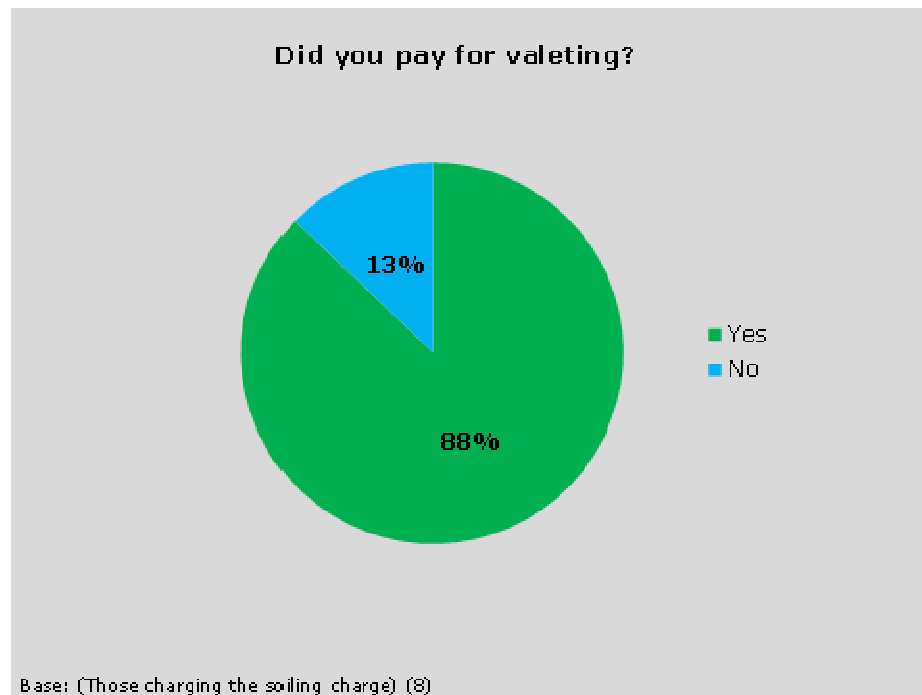
If yes, how long was your car off the road?

Of those charging a soiling charge, the length of time the car was off the road is shown below.

- 1 day
- 2 days
- 1 day
- 6-8 hours
- All night shift
- 3 hours
- 1.5 days
- 1 day

Did you pay for valeting?

Of the 8 drivers making a soiling charge, 88% said they had paid for valeting.



If yes, how much did it cost?

Seven drivers paid for valeting, with the costs below.

- | | |
|----------------|-------|
| • 2 times year | • £50 |
| • £30 | • £60 |
| • £50 | • £75 |
| • £50 | |

How much is your car insurance per year?

20 drivers responded with their car insurance figure for the year, with the distribution of responses shown in the table below. The most frequent for just over half was £1001 to £2000 per year.

£500-1000	£1001-2000	£2001-3000	£3001-4000	£4001-5000
1	11	6	0	2

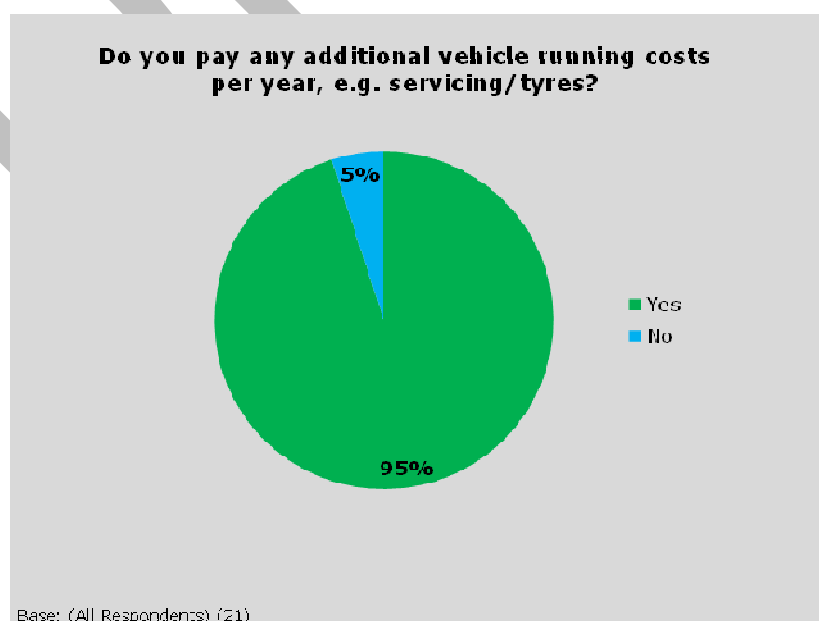
How much extra do you pay for public liability insurance?

The responses are listed below from 13 drivers.

- 0
- 0
- N/A
- £300
- Included in insurance
- Don't know
- Including
- Included
- No extra - included in insurance
- Included
- Included - a low amount
- Included
- N/A

Do you pay any additional vehicle running costs per year, e.g. servicing/tyres?

Almost all of those surveyed paid additional vehicle running costs (95%), as per the chart below.



If yes, how much do you pay a year?

The full list of responses is shown below. Results range from £200 per year to £7671.

- Various
- £200
- £300
- £400
- £475
- £600
- £200 per year. 6 month plate £160.00. Road Tax £280
- £700
- £892
- £1000
- £1500
- £1600
- £2423
- £2600 on top of insurance + Fuel
- £4200
- £5000
- £6600
- £6750
- £7671

If yes, what type of things do you pay for?

20 drivers listed the things they pay for in terms of running costs.

- Tyres, Service, Hackney Licence, MOT, Road tax
- Service Tyres
- Servicing, tyres, renewal of plate 2 times a year
- M.O.T, Renewal of plate, washing
- Tyres, Service, Annual fee for renewal of Hackney Licence Plate, £140 Road Fund Licence
- Service, Tyres and maintenance
- Tyres, Repairs, Servicing, Car Wash, Stationary, Advertising, permit
- MOT, tyres, service, maintenance, cleaning, washing, telephone, road tax, all fees for licence etc., taxi insurance £4801.38
- Vehicle finance (£5052), Road tax, taxi plate, taxi badge, servicing, MOT, tyres, brakes, car wash, accountants fees etc.
- Servicing, Valeting, repairs/maintenance, recovery service
- Clutch, battery, anything gone to the car have to be pay, if anything gone wrong in the car have to be repaired
- Services, tyres, wear and tear
- Car licencing, car wash, car maintenance, accountancy
- Brakes, cleaning, accounts etc.
- Service, tyres, other many things
- Motor expenses: Fuels & oil £4381. Insurance £1114. Repairs & Servicing £466.

- Servicing, Tyres, Licence, Permit, Cleaning, Road Tax, Depreciation - These are additional to fuel & insurance
- If anything goes wrong in car have to be repaired
- Depreciation, service, tyre, brakes, repair, MOT, Licence, Cleaning, Road Tax, Railway Permit, Windscreen chips, oil top-up
- Tyres, Service, Paint and body work

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Appendix 2: Analysis of the survey results.

- 3.1 22 Consultation responses were returned from the 208 distributed. This is a disappointing response rate of 10.6%. This consultation was also discussed the New 'Driver and Operators Forum' on the 5th June and 18th August 2014.
- 3.2 The consultation responses are not sufficient in number to be significant and therefore the committee should have this in mind when they give weight to the responses.
- 3.3 Of the responses on average the Hackney Carriage Owners had held a driver's license with WDC for 10 years and operated a Hackney Carriage for 7 years and 7 months.
- 3.4 The respondents reported that they work on average 36.9 hours over the course of a week. Broken down to average hours per tariff, equals 33.1 hours on tariff 1, 22 hours on tariff 2 (night) and 11.6 hours on tariff 2 (weekends).
- 3.5 The current hours that the different tariffs must be charged are:

Tariff 1	Tariff 2
05:01-22:59 Monday-Saturday	(23:00-05:00, Sundays, Bank Holiday, or when carrying 5+ passengers)

- 3.6 The respondents take home on average between £351-400 per week before expenses. Using the returns, this could be calculated as £313.16. They travel an average of 325 miles per week. Their average journeys of 2.66 miles with 2.7 passengers. This could be calculated as 122.2 journeys per week at £2.50 per journey. Therefore factoring in longer journeys the average fares will be lowered.
- 3.7 A day time journey of a distance of 2.66 miles should cost less than 5 passengers £4.76 when charged at the fares described on tariff 1. The difference between the figures may indicate under and over estimates in the answers given to the questions in the survey. However it is important to note that every mile after the first only earns the driver £1.60.
- 3.8 Over half of the respondents spend £51 - £85 per week on fuel. The average spend can be calculated as £72.57 per week. The vehicles described by the respondents have average miles to the gallon of 32.35.
- 3.9 A vehicle would require 9.68 gallons of fuel per week to drive the average number of miles. All of the respondents were diesel and the average cost of fuel is £1.34 per litre. £72.57 would purchase 53.56 litres of diesel. This should allow the vehicle to travel 380.8 miles if driven at its average MPG.
- 3.10 The cost of fuel has increased by an average of 15.5p per litre since 2008. This equates to £8.30 per week extra on fuel (£431.60 extra in a year).
- 3.11 The respondents pay an average of £2550 for their car insurance. The most common type of vehicle used by the respondents would cost an average of £970 to insure if it was not being used as a Hackney Carriage. The respondents

are paying by this estimate £1580 more than an average male driver using the same vehicle for domestic purposes.

- 3.12 The respondents pay an average of £2419.50 in additional expenses per year. These additional expenses included: Tyres, Servicing, Licensing, MOT, Road tax, Cleaning, Maintenance, Telephone, Vehicle Finance, Brakes, Accountancy and Recovery Services.
- 3.13 The respondents pay £104 more for their WDC Driver's License and £45 for their Vehicle License than they did 2008.
- 3.14 This equates to:

	Week	Year (52 weeks no holidays or time off road)
Average hours	36.9	
Average Miles	325	16,900
<i>Average of 0.09 miles per hour worked</i>		
Average MPG	32.35	
Gross income	£313.72	£16,313.44
Fuel Cost	£72.57	£3,773.64
Insurance		£2,550
Other expenses		£2,419.50
Expenses Total		£8,743.14
Income	£145.58	£7,570.3
Income per hour after expense: £3.96		
<i>Average journey 2.66 with 2.7 passengers = £2.50</i>		

- 3.15 Another request of the petition is that the soiling charge should be increased by 50%, from £50 to £75. This would be to cover the cost of cleaning and the time the vehicle is off the road, resulting in loss of earnings for the driver.
- 3.16 42% of the respondents have in the course of their careers needed to charge the soiling charge at least once. Of these respondents the average length of time that the vehicle was off the road for a period of 21.63 hours. This equates to lost earnings of an average of £85.65. However, it is more likely that the soiling charge will need to be charged during the hours where the current tariff 2 is used. Therefore the earnings lost would in reality be higher.
- 3.17 In addition to the lost earnings, 88% of those respondents who had needed to have their vehicle cleaned after soiling used a valeting service. The average cost of this valeting service is £52.50.
- 3.18 The full cost to a respondent of a soiled taxi equates to:

Lost Earnings	£85.65
Cost of valeting	£52.50
Total cost	£138.15

Appendix 3: Comparison of neighbouring authorities' fares.

- 5.1 Since this request was last presented to the committee, a number of local authorities around the country have reviewed their fares. Appendix 6 is an extract from latest Private Hire and Taxi Monthly publication which shows the cost of a two mile journey throughout Councils within the UK. WDC comes in at 303rd in a band of 16 authorities out of 385: WDC fare being £5.00. This is below the national average of £5.61. The average 2 mile fare in the Midlands is £5.37.
- 5.2 The table shows our neighbouring district of Stratford-upon-Avon at 84th in a band of 27 authorities on £6.20. Stratford-upon-Avon reviewed their fares this year. Stratford previously reviewed their fares in 2013. Their new fare card can be seen below:



Hackney Carriage - Table of Fares

VALID FROM 9 JUNE 2014

	Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3
Initial charge: Payable for the first 502.9 yards or uncompleted part thereof OR for the first 144 seconds or uncompleted part thereof	£2.30		£4.60
Initial charge: Payable for the first 502.9 yards or uncompleted part thereof OR for the first 205.7 seconds or uncompleted part thereof		£3.45	
Mileage charge (rate applicable after the initial charge): For each subsequent 251.4 yards or uncompleted part thereof	30p		60p
Mileage charge (rate applicable after the initial charge): For each subsequent 176 yards or uncompleted part thereof		30p	
Waiting time (rate applicable after the initial charge): For each period of 72 seconds or uncompleted part thereof	30p	30p	60p

Tariff 1 For hirings on any day except as below

Tariff 2 For hirings begun between 11.00pm and 7.00am, and hirings begun between 6.00pm and Midnight on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, also for hirings at any time on Sundays and Public Holidays (excluding Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day)

Tariff 3 For hirings on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day

Extra charges

(a) An additional 50% fare could be charged when a vehicle carries five or more passengers

(b) For each article of luggage conveyed outside the passenger compartment

20p

(c) For each person in excess of two (2 children under the age of 10 years count as one person for fare purposes only)

20p

(d) Soiling charge

£45

(e) That unavoidable toll and congestion charges incurred during a journey be reimbursed in full

- 5.3 Currently Coventry City Council sits at 223rd in a band of 24 authorities on the same table charging £5.40. However they reviewed their fares on 2nd September 2014 and agreed a fare increase of 40p on the starting distance of each tariff. This increase will come in to force on the 12th September 2014. This will move Coventry City Council to a fare of £6:30 for a two 2 mile journey. Their new fare card can be seen below.



HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARES IN COVENTRY

1. For journeys commencing and ending within the City of Coventry

Unless a lower fare is agreed before the journey starts:

	Day-Time (6am to 10pm)	Night-Time (10pm to 6am)	Holidays (See below)
For the first 0.922 Km (Approx. ⁶/₁₀ mile)	£2.80	£3.60	£3.90

or 4.5 minutes (or part)

Then for every 0.162 Km (Approx. ¹/₁₀ mile)	25p	25p	35p
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or 48 seconds (or part)

When the speed is below approximately 8 miles per hour only the time charge applies.

Soiling/Cleaning Charge: £40

Holidays	Christmas (6pm 24 Dec to 6am 27 Dec)	Easter Sunday & Monday May Day Bank Holiday Spring Bank Holiday Summer Bank Holiday (For 24 hours starting at 00.00am on the day)
	New Year (6pm 31 Dec to 6am 2 Jan)	

2. For journeys ending outside the City of Coventry

The law does not permit a taxi driver to charge more than the price shown on the meter (which will be calculated at the rates shown above) unless the journey ends outside the City boundary and you and the driver have agreed a different fare BEFORE the journey commences.

IN CASE OF COMPLAINT - Note the driver's badge number & taxi number and Telephone 024 7683 2183 or write to the Taxi Licensing Office,

Whitley Depot, 259 London Road, Coventry CV3 4AR or email: taxi.licensing@coventry.gov.uk

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Table comparisons with neighbours and of 2014 & 2014 petitions-

Tariff Use	Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3
Current WDC (2008)	Day Rate 05:00 – 23:00	(23:00-05:00, Sundays, Bank Holiday, 5+ passengers)	n/a
Coventry (2014)	06:00-22:00	22:00-06:00	Christmas (18:00 24/12-06:00 27/12), Bank Holidays, New Year (18:00 31/12 – 06:00 02/01)
Stratford (2014)	07:00-23:00	23:00-07:00, Sundays, Bank Holiday, 18:00-00:00 Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.	Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day
Proposed WDC 2013	Day Rate <4 passengers 22:00-06:00	Sundays, Bank Holidays, 22:00-06:00, 5+ passengers day rate	Christmas Day, New Year and 5+ passengers – 22:00-06:00, Sundays and Bank Holidays
Proposed WDC 2014	Day Rate 22:00-06:00 +50% for 5+ passengers	Sundays, Bank Holidays, 22:00-06:00, +100% for 5+ passengers	Christmas Eve 18:00 – 06:00 27 th December 18:00 31 st December – 06:00 2 nd January +100% for 5+ passengers

First Measure		Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3
Current WDC (2008)	First Mile (1760 yards)	£3.40 £2.38 first 7/10 mile*	£4.70 £3.29 first 7/10 mile*	n/a
Coventry (2014)	First 6/10 mile or 4.5 mins	£2.80 £3.27 first 7/10 mile*	£3.60 £4.20 first 7/10 mile*	£3.90 £4.55 first 7/10 mile*
Stratford (2014)	First 502.9 Yards or 144 seconds (205.7 secs tariff 2)	£2.30 +50% for 5+ passengers £5.63 first 7/10 mile* +50% for 5+ passengers +£0.20 per passenger in excess of two	£3.45 +50% For 5+ Passengers £8.45 first 7/10 mile* +50% for 5+ passengers +£0.20 per passenger in excess of two	£4.60 +50% For 5+ Passengers £11.27 first 7/10 mile* +50% for 5+ passengers +£0.20 per passenger in excess of two
Proposed WDC 2013	First 7/10 mile	£3.40	£5.10	£6.80
Proposed WDC 2014	First 7/11 Mile	£3.40	£5.10	£6.80

Subsequent Distance		Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3
Current WDC (2008)	1/8 mile	£0.20 £0.16 per 1/10 mile*	£0.30 £0.24 per 1/10 mile*	n/a
Coventry (2014)	1/10 mile	£0.25	£0.25	£0.35
Stratford (2014)	251.4 yards	£0.30+50% For 5+ Passengers £0.20 per 1/10 mile*	£0.30 per 176 yards +50% For 5+ Passengers £0.30 per 1/10 mile*	£0.60+50% For 5+ Passengers £0.42 per 1/10 mile*
Proposed WDC (2013)	1/10 mile	£0.20	£0.30	£0.40
Proposed WDC (2014)	1/11 mile	£0.20	£0.30	£0.40

Waiting Time		Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3
Current WDC (2008)	45 seconds	£0.10 £0.07 per 30 seconds*	£0.15 £0.10 per 30 seconds*	n/a
Coventry (2014)	48 seconds	£0.25 £0.16 per 30 seconds*	£0.25 £0.16 per 30 seconds*	£0.35 £0.22 per 30 seconds*
Stratford (2014)	72 seconds	£0.30+50% For 5+ Passengers £0.13 per 30 seconds* +50% for 5+ passengers	£0.30+50% For 5+ Passengers £0.13 per 30 seconds* +50% for 5+ passengers	£0.60 (£0.30 per 30 seconds) +50% For 5+ Passengers £0.32 per 30 seconds* +50% for 5+ passengers
Proposed WDC (2013 & 2014)	30 seconds	£0.10	£0.15	£0.20

Soiling Charge	
Current WDC (2008)	£50
Coventry (2008)	£40
Stratford (2014)	£45
Proposed WDC (2013) and (2014)	£75

Two Mile Fare	Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3
Current WDC (2008)	£5:00	£7.10	n/a
Coventry (2014)	£6.30	£7.10	£8.50
Stratford (2014)	£5.80-£6.40 +50% when +5 passengers	£8.45-£9.05 +50% when +5 passengers	£11.80-£12.40 +50% when +5 passengers
Proposed WDC (2013)	£6.00	£9.00	£12
Proposed WDC (2014)	£6.40 +50% when +5 passengers	£9.60 +100% when +5 passengers	£12.80 +100% when +5 passengers

*Rates calculated to comparable distances and times with proposed WDC rates. Although misleading as the first distance rates vary causing the subsequent distance rates to be enacted at different times.

The table below shows various example journeys and the (2013) cost increase for passengers using a hackney carriage licenced by WDC.

Journey from Smack Nightclub to Gibbet Hill, Warwick University at 3am. (8 miles)				
	2013 petition		2014 petition	
Current (Tariff 2) 23:00-05:00 & 5+ passengers	£21.90			
Proposed (Tariff 2) 22:00-06:00	£27:00	18.89% Increase	£29.40 +100% >5 passengers	7.2% on 2013 (46.39% increase)
Proposed (Tariff 3)	£36:00 5+ passengers	39.17% Increase	£39.20 +100% >5 passengers	8.2% on 2013 (45.92% increase)

Journey from Golf Lane, Whitnash to Warwick Hospital at 11am on a weekday (4.5 miles)				
	2013 petition		2014 petition	
Current (Tariff 1)	£9.00			
Proposed (Tariff 1)	£11:00	18.18% Increase	£11.90 +50% >5 passengers	7.6% on 2013 (46.22% increase)

Journey from Premier Inn, Warwick to Birmingham Airport (16 miles)				
	2013 petition		2014 petition	
Current (Tariff 1)	£27.40			
Proposed (Tariff 1)	£34:00	19.41% Increase	£37.20 +50% >5 passengers	8.6% on 2013 (45.7% increase)
Current (Tariff 2) <i>23:00-05:00 & 5+ passengers</i>	£41:40			
Proposed (Tariff 2) <i>22:00-06:00</i>	£51:00	18.82% Increase	£55.80 +100% >5 passengers	8.6% on 2013 (45.7% increase)
Proposed (Tariff 3)	£68:00 <i>5+ passengers</i>	39.12% Increase	£74.4 +100% >5 passengers	8.6% on 2013 (45.7% increase)

Appendix 4: Extract from Private Hire and Taxi Monthly

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Pos.	Council	Tariff 1: 2 Miles	Pos.	Council	Tariff 1: 2 Miles	Pos.	Council	Tariff 1: 2 Miles
1	LONDON (HEADROW)	£7.00	74	LEEDS	£8.20	147	SOUTH Ayrshire	£5.00
2	LUTON (AIRPORT)	£7.30	75	LINCOLN	£8.20	148	ST ALBANS	£5.00
3	EPSON & KNEEL	£7.30	76	MENDIP	£8.20	149	STOCKPORT	£5.00
4	LONDON	£7.30	77	NORTHAMPTON	£8.20	150	TAMWORTH	£5.00
5	BARTFORD	£7.30	78	RUNNEMEDE	£8.20	151	UTTLESFORD	£5.00
6	HERTSMERE	£7.00	79	SCARBOROUGH	£8.20	152	WEST SOMERSET	£5.00
7	STO BURICK	£7.00	80	SEDDMOOR	£8.20	153	EAST KILBRIDE	£5.70
8	SALISBURY	£7.00	81	SHEPWAY	£8.20	154	EAST LOTHIAN	£5.70
9	GUILDFORD	£8.00	82	SOLIHULL	£8.20	155	EASTDORFIRE	£5.70
10	VALE OF WHITE HORSE	£8.00	83	SOUTHAMPTON	£8.20	156	ISLE OF MAN	£5.70
11	CARADON	£8.00	84	STAFFORD ON AVON	£8.20	157	ISLE OF WIGHT	£5.70
12	CARROCK	£8.00	85	TAUNTON DEANE	£8.20	158	LUTON	£5.70
13	COLCHESTER	£8.00	86	TEIGNRIDGE	£8.20	159	MARCHESTER	£5.70
14	KARY	£8.00	87	WAVERTLEY	£8.20	160	MID DEVON	£5.70
15	READING	£8.00	88	WEST COVENTRY	£8.20	161	MONMOUTHSHIRE	£5.70
16	KERRER	£8.75	89	WINCHESTER	£8.20	162	NORTH SOMERSET	£5.70
17	WEST BERKSHIRE	£8.70	90	TORBAY	£8.15	163	PLYMOUTH	£5.70
18	WIMBORNE & PORTLAND	£8.70	91	EASTLEIGH	£8.10	164	RYEDALE	£5.70
19	ADUR	£8.60	92	ELMBRIDGE	£8.10	165	WELWYH HATFIELD	£5.70
20	BASINGSTOKE & DEANE	£8.60	93	NEW FOREST	£8.10	166	WIMBORNE	£5.70
21	BRIGHTON & HOVE	£8.60	94	SPELTHORNE	£8.10	167	VALE OF GLAMORGAN	£5.65
22	CRANLEY	£8.50	95	SWINDON	£8.10	168	WYOMERSLEY	£5.65
23	EXETER	£8.50	96	SOUTH SOMERSET	£8.05	169	CHAINWOOD	£5.60
24	EXETER	£8.50	97	ABERDEENSHIRE	£8.00	170	BASILDON	£5.60
25	PERREY	£8.50	98	BRACKNELL FOREST	£8.00	171	BROOKBOURNE	£5.60
26	MAIDSTONE	£8.50	99	BRENTWOOD	£8.00	172	EDINBURGH	£5.60
27	FOOTE	£8.50	100	CANTERBURY	£8.00	173	EDWYTH NORTH	£5.60
28	TUNBRIDGE WELLS	£8.50	101	CARMARTHENSHIRE	£8.00	174	GOSPORT	£5.60
29	WAVENEY	£8.50	102	CASTLE POINT	£8.00	175	HINCKLEY & BOSWORTH	£5.60
30	WEALDEN	£8.50	103	DOVER	£8.00	176	NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE	£5.60
31	WOLVALE	£8.50	104	EAST HAMPSHIRE	£8.00	177	NORTH WEST LEICESTER	£5.60
32	WORTHING	£8.45	105	GREAT YARMOUTH	£8.00	178	NOTTINGHAM	£5.60
33	ARUN	£8.40	106	KENNET New Wiltshire (Ea	£8.00	179	PORTSMOUTH UA	£5.60
34	BARN & N.E. SOMERSET	£8.40	107	KETTERING	£8.00	180	ROTHAMPTON	£5.60
35	CARDIFF	£8.40	108	MILTON KEYNES	£8.00	181	RUSHCLIFFE	£5.60
36	GRAVESHAM	£8.40	109	NORTH DORSET	£8.00	182	SANDWELL	£5.60
37	GUILDFORD	£8.40	110	NORTH WILTSHIRE	£8.00	183	SHEFFIELD	£5.60
38	HARROGATE	£8.40	111	ROCHFORD	£8.00	184	SUFFOLK COASTAL	£5.60
39	MAIDSTONE	£8.40	112	SLOUGH	£8.00	185	TAMESIDE	£5.60
40	NORTH HERTS	£8.40	113	SOUTHEND-ON-SEA	£8.00	186	WOLVERHAMPTON	£5.60
41	NORWICH	£8.40	114	STEVENAGE	£8.00	187	WORTHING	£5.60
42	OXFORD	£8.40	115	THREE RIVERS	£8.00	188	WREXHAM	£5.60
43	PURBECK	£8.40	116	THURROCK	£8.00	189	WYRE	£5.60
44	BOTHER	£8.40	117	WEST DORSET	£8.00	190	WYRE	£5.55
45	SOUTH CAMBRIDGE	£8.40	118	WEST WILTSHIRE	£8.00	191	CHESTER	£5.55
46	SOUTH GLOUCESTER	£8.40	119	DARLINGTON	£8.00	192	DURHAM COUNTY COUN	£5.55
47	SOUTH LAMPSHIRE	£8.40	120	TENDING	£8.00	193	GLoucester	£5.55
48	STROUD	£8.40	121	HIGH PEAK	£8.00	194	GLoucester	£5.55
49	SURREY HEATH	£8.40	122	TORRIDGE	£8.00	195	CARLISLE	£5.50
50	WATFORD	£8.40	123	CHRISTCHURCH	£8.00	196	CASTLE MORPETH	£5.50
51	WOKING	£8.40	124	UDLEY	£8.00	197	CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE	£5.50
52	WORTHING	£8.40	125	EAST DORSET	£8.00	198	CHESTER	£5.50
53	SEVENOAKS	£8.32	126	EAST LINDSEY	£8.00	199	DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY	£5.50
54	COUNTY OF HEREFORD	£8.30	127	HAMMERSLEY	£8.00	200	EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE	£5.50
55	BRACKNELL	£8.30	128	RUSHMOOR	£8.00	201	EAST STAFFORDSHIRE	£5.50
56	EAST DEVON	£8.30	129	WALSALL	£8.00	202	EDEN	£5.50
57	PENWITH	£8.30	130	NORTH DEVON	£8.00	203	SPRINGWOOD	£5.50
58	SWALE	£8.30	131	TEWKESBURY	£8.00	204	GWYNEDD	£5.50
59	TONBRIDGE & MALLING	£8.30	132	BLACKPOOL	£8.00	205	HAMBLETON	£5.50
60	YORK	£8.30	133	BRANITREE	£8.00	206	HUNTINGDONSHIRE	£5.50
61	FOREST OF DEAN	£8.27	134	BROMSGROVE	£8.00	207	WILLOW	£5.50
62	HARBOROUGH	£8.27	135	EAST HERTS	£8.00	208	OLDHAM	£5.50
63	NUNEATON & BEDWORTH	£8.25	136	FIFE	£8.00	209	SHETLAND ISLANDS	£5.50
64	ARNOLD & BURY	£8.20	137	GLoucester	£8.00	210	SHROPSHIRE	£5.50
65	ASHFORD	£8.20	138	GLoucester	£8.00	211	SOUTH HAMS	£5.50
66	BIRMINGHAM	£8.20	139	IPSWICH	£8.00	212	STAFFORD	£5.50
67	BRISTOL, UA (Reduction)	£8.20	140	LEICESTER	£8.00	213	TYNEDALE	£5.50
68	CHELMSFORD	£8.20	141	LEWES	£8.00	214	WANSBECK	£5.50
69	CHELTHAM	£8.20	142	MEDWAY (Reduction)	£8.00	215	SCOTTISH BORDERS	£5.45
70	CHICHESTER	£8.20	143	MIDLOTHIAN	£8.00	216	GEDLING	£5.44
71	CREWE & NANTWICH	£8.20	144	NORTH HAMPSHIRE	£8.00	217	ABERDEEN	£5.40
72	HARLOW	£8.20	145	REDGATE & BANSTEAD	£8.00	218	ANGUS	£5.40
73	HORSHAM	£8.20	146	SELBY	£8.00	219	BARROW IN FURNESS	£5.40

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220	CARDIFF	£5.40	293	DERWASH	£5.00
221	CHELTEN	£5.40	294	LIVERPOOL	£5.00
222	CLACKMANNAN	£5.40	295	NEATH PORT TALBOT	£5.00
223	COVENTRY	£5.40	296	NORTH EAST DERBYSHIRE	£5.00
224	DERBY	£5.40	297	NORTH TYNESIDE	£5.00
225	FARSHAM	£5.40	298	PETERBOROUGH	£5.00
226	HAVANT	£5.40	299	SOUTH DUCKINGHAM	£5.00
227	LANCASTER	£5.40	300	SLANARKSHIRE(dtydew)	£5.00
228	MID SUFFOLK	£5.40	301	SOUTH NORTHANTS	£5.00
229	NIDWARK & SHERWOOD	£5.40	302	THANET	£5.00
230	NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE	£5.40	303	WARWICK	£5.00
231	PEMBROKE	£5.40	304	WEST LINSEY	£5.00
232	PERTH & KINROSS	£5.40	305	STOKE ON TRENT UA	£4.95
233	RUGBY	£5.40	306	BRIDGEND	£4.90
234	SOUTH RIBBLE	£5.40	307	CHORLEY	£4.90
235	SUNDERLAND	£5.40	308	CLYDEBANK	£4.90
236	TANDRIDGE	£5.40	309	CONGLETON	£4.90
237	TEST VALLEY	£5.40	310	FLINTSHIRE	£4.90
238	THRAFFORD	£5.40	311	KINGSTON-UPON-HULL	£4.90
239	WEST LOTHIAN	£5.40	312	NORTH KESTIVEN	£4.90
240	WYCHAVON	£5.40	313	ROSENDALE	£4.90
241	BROXTOWE	£5.35	314	TELFORD & WREKIN	£4.90
242	KINGS LYNN & W. NORFOLK	£5.35	315	WELLINGSBOROUGH	£4.90
243	BASSETLAW	£5.35	316	REDDITCH	£4.80
244	RICHMONDSHIRE	£5.35	317	ALLERDALE	£4.85
245	BRADFORD	£5.30	318	ASHFIELD	£4.80
246	BURY ST EDMUNDS	£5.30	319	CAERPHILLY	£4.80
247	COTSWOLD	£5.30	320	CONRY	£4.80
248	GRAVEN	£5.30	321	DERBYSHIRE DALES	£4.80
249	GLAMORGAN	£5.25	322	DONCASTER	£4.80
250	FENLAND	£5.30	323	GATESHEAD	£4.80
251	LICHFIELD	£5.30	324	HAMILTON	£4.80
252	NISSON	£5.25	325	MANSFIELD	£4.80
253	N.E. LINCOLNSHIRE	£5.30	326	NORTH AVONSHIRE	£4.80
254	NORTH NORFOLK	£5.30	327	ROCHDALE	£4.80
255	RIBBLE VALLEY	£5.30	328	ROTHERHAM	£4.80
256	RYRE FOREST	£5.25	329	RUTHERGLEN	£4.80
257	SALFORD	£5.25	330	TORFAEN	£4.80
258	VALE ROYAL	£5.25	331	STAFFS MOORLANDS	£4.75
259	WINDSOR & MAIDENHEAD	£5.25	332	BARNLEY	£4.70
260	SLAS	£5.24	333	BERWICK ON TWEED	£4.70
261	REDFORD	£5.20	334	BLACKBURN	£4.70
262	BOLTON	£5.20	335	EAST AYRSHIRE	£4.70
263	BOSTON	£5.20	336	EAST NORTHANTS	£4.70
264	BURY	£5.20	337	FALKIRK	£4.70
265	DENBIGHSHIRE	£5.20	338	HIGHLANDS	£4.70
266	ELLSMERE PORT	£5.20	339	HYNDSDEN	£4.70
267	GLASGOW	£5.10	340	INVERGLYDE	£4.70
268	HALTON	£5.20	341	WEST LANCASHIRE	£4.70
269	MAGGLESFIELD	£5.20	342	AMBER VALLEY	£4.60
270	DRINKLEY MANOR	£5.10	343	EAST DUNBARTONSHIRE	£4.60
271	POWYS	£5.20	344	EAST RENFREW	£4.60
272	PRESTON	£5.20	345	SEFTON	£4.60
273	RHONDDA CYNON TAFF	£5.20	346	WAKEFIELD	£4.60
274	SOUTH TYNESIDE	£5.20	347	BURNLEY	£4.60
275	STEWING	£5.10	348	CORBY	£4.60
276	WARRINGTON	£5.20	349	MEITHYR TYDFEL	£4.60
277	WIRRAL	£5.20	350	REDCAR & CLEVELAND	£4.50
278	YNYSS MON	£5.20	351	ST. HELENS	£4.50
279	DERBYSHIRE	£5.15	352	STOCKTON ON TEES	£4.50
280	EAST RIDING	£5.15	353	KIRKLEES	£4.40
281	BRECKLAND	£5.14	354	KNOWSLEY	£4.40
282	SABERGH	£5.10	355	NORTH LANARKSHIRE	£4.40
283	NEWPORT	£5.10	356	DADBY & WIGTON	£4.40
284	SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE	£5.10	357	PENDLE	£4.40
285	WIGAN	£5.10	358	AYLESBURY VALE	£4.30
286	ALNWICK	£5.05	359	BLAENAU GWENT	£4.30
287	SOUTH HOLLAND	£5.05	360	MIDDLESBROUGH	£4.30
288	SWANSEA	£5.05	361	NEWCASTLE-U-LYNE	£4.20
289	BLTH VALLEY	£5.00	362	WESTERN ISLES	£4.20
290	CHESTERFIELD	£5.00	363	HARTLEPOOL	£4.00
291	COPELAND	£5.00	364	SOUTH KESTIVEN	£3.90
292	DAVENTRY	£5.00	365	BOLSOVER	£2.80

THE NATIONAL AVERAGE FARE

Flag at T1 is now	£2.73
Flag at T2 is now	£3.60
1 mile fare T1 is now	£3.76
1 mile fare T2 is now	£4.95
2 mile fare T1 is now	£5.61
2 mile fare T2 is now	£7.36
5 mile fare T1 is now	£11.14
5 mile fare T2 is now	£14.59
10 mile fare T1 is now	£20.51
10 mile fare T2 is now	£26.79
Running mile on T1 is now	£1.85
Running mile on T2 is now	£2.41

AREA FARE AVERAGES

Tariff One

	Flag	1 ml.	2 ml.	5 ml.	10 ml.	Running mile
East Anglia	£3.00	£3.93	£5.89	£10.98	£19.81	£1.77
Midlands	£2.69	£3.63	£5.37	£10.54	£19.16	£1.72
North	£2.44	£3.50	£5.21	£10.34	£18.96	£1.71
South	£2.93	£4.14	£6.11	£12.07	£22.38	£1.99
South West	£2.71	£4.01	£6.14	£12.51	£23.17	£2.12
Scotland	£2.70	£3.48	£5.23	£10.50	£19.28	£1.71
Wales	£3.32	£3.32	£5.15	£10.62	£19.71	£1.82
Nat. Avg.	£2.73	£3.76	£5.61	£11.14	£20.51	£1.85

Tariff Two

	Flag	1 ml.	2 ml.	5 ml.	10 ml.	Running mile
East Anglia	£3.91	£5.04	£7.33	£14.14	£25.51	£2.27
Midlands	£3.57	£4.81	£7.10	£13.91	£25.74	£2.29
North	£3.02	£4.34	£6.52	£13.05	£23.04	£2.10
South	£4.04	£5.73	£8.52	£16.58	£30.40	£2.73
South West	£3.76	£5.44	£8.20	£16.91	£31.27	£2.87
Scotland	£3.42	£4.31	£6.24	£12.04	£21.67	£1.88
Wales	£3.57	£4.20	£6.56	£13.60	£25.33	£2.35
Nat. Avg.	£3.60	£4.95	£7.36	£14.95	£26.79	£2.41

Appendix 5: 2014 petition

Received 7th September 2014

'I am just emailing to give you an update in regards to the feelings people have about the local fare increase situation and to request an alternative increase than what was previously submitted.

Earlier this week Coventry city council authorised an increase of hackney carriage fares. The cost of a 2 mile journey during the day in Coventry has increased from £5.40 to £6.30. I believe Coventry also had not had an increase since 2008.

A lot of drivers are quite rightly getting frustrated and angry at this, they are saying that we requested a fare increase almost 12 months ago and it still has not been processed. I explained and they understand that this is not in your control and certain procedures had to be followed for the fare increase to be approved, however it is worrying for the drivers when neighbouring authorities request a fare increase and it gets processed, consulted on and implemented before a fare increase that was requested by WDC drivers 12 months ago.

A 2 mile day time journey in Coventry costs £6.30. In Nuneaton and Bedworth the cost is £6.25 and we are still stuck at £5.00 for a 2 mile journey.

Please note that living costs and expenses such as home rental and purchase prices are a lot lower in both of the above mentioned authorities than in the Warwick district.

In line with the above I am kindly requesting you myself and on behalf of the drivers that signed the original fare increase petition to increase the requested amounts due to the time it has taken for the original request to be processed.

Please see the attached document for the new request. Essentially it is asking for 20 pence more per mile for a day time journey. I think that this is fair when considering the time that it has taken so far and the amount of time it is likely to still take for the increase to be made.'

Fare Example Table

WDC	1 Mile	2 Miles	5 Miles	10 Miles
Current Tariff 1	£3.40	£5.00	£9.80	£17.80
2013 Proposed Tariff 1	£4.00	£6.00	£12.00	£22.00
2014 Proposed Tariff 1	£4.20	£6.40	£13.00	£24.00
Current Tariff 2	£5.10	£7.50	£14.70	£26.70
2013 Proposed Tariff 2	£6.00	£9.00	£18.00	£33.00
2014 Proposed Tariff 2	£6.30	£9.60	£19.50	£36.00
Current Tariff 3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2013 Proposed Tariff 3	£8.00	£12.00	£24.00	£44.00
2014 Proposed Tariff 3	£8.40	£12.80	£26.00	£48.00

District Comparison With New Proposal Tariff 1	1 Mile	2 Miles	5 Miles	10 Miles
Warwick Current (2008)	£3.40	£5.00	£9.80	£17.80
Warwick NEW PROPOSAL	£4.20	£6.40	£13.00	£24.00
Stratford Upon Avon (2014)	£4.10	£6.20	£12.50	£23.00
Nuneaton & Bedworth (2012)	£4.50	£6.50	£12.50	£22.50

District Comparison With New Proposal Tariff 2	1 Mile	2 Miles	5 Miles	10 Miles
Warwick Current (2008)	£5.10	£7.50	£14.70	£26.70
Warwick NEW PROPOSAL	£6.30	£9.60	£19.50	£36.00
Stratford Upon Avon (2014)	£6.15	£9.15	£18.15	£33.15
Nuneaton & Bedworth (2012)	£6.00	£8.80	£17.20	£31.20

District Comparison With New Proposal Tariff 3	1 Mile	2 Miles	5 Miles	10 Miles
Warwick Current (2008)	N/A Not In Use	N/A Not In Use	N/A Not In Use	N/A Not In Use
Warwick NEW PROPOSAL	£8.40	£12.80	£26.00	£48.00
Stratford Upon Avon (2014)	£8.20	£12.40	£25.00	£46.00
Nuneaton & Bedworth (2012)	£7.70	£11.30	£22.10	£40.10

Proposed Fare Increase September 2014

The Hackney Carriage owners and drivers of Warwick District Propose a fare increase which is set out below.

The Last Fare Increase was in March 2008.

TARIFF 1

Distance	For Any Distance up to 7/11 of a mile (1120 yards) Or part thereof	£3.40*
	For Each Subsequent 1/11 of a mile (160 yards) Or Part Thereof	£0.20*
Waiting Time	For Each Period of 30 seconds or part of 30 seconds	£0.10*
Extras	Soiling Charge	£75.00
<p>Between 22.00 And 06:00 And Sundays And Bank Holidays And When A Suitable Vehicle Carries 5 Or More Passengers The Rates Marked * In The Boxes Above Will Be Increased By 50% (Tariff 2)</p> <p>When Tariff 2 is Applicable And During This Time A Suitable Vehicle Carries 5 Or More Passengers The Rates Marked * In The Boxes Above Will Be Increased By 100% (Tariff 3)</p> <p>Tariff 3 Also Applicable For All During The Following Christmas / New Year Dates: Between 18:00 24th December And 06:00 27th December Between 18.00 31st December And 06:00 2nd January</p>		

TARIFF 2

Distance	For Any Distance up to 7/11 of a mile (1120 yards) Or part thereof	£5.10*
	For Each Subsequent 1/11 of a mile (160 yards) Or Part Thereof	£0.30*
Waiting Time	For Each Period of 30 seconds or part of 30 seconds	£0.15*
Extras	Soiling Charge	£75.00

TARIFF 3

Distance	For Any Distance up to 7/11 of a mile (1120 yards) Or part thereof	£6.80*
	For Each Subsequent 1/11 of a mile (160 yards) Or Part Thereof	£0.40*
Waiting Time	For Each Period of 30 seconds or part of 30 seconds	£0.20*
Extras	Soiling Charge	£75.00

Additionally we request that each year the taxi fares be reviewed by the committee and adjusted accordingly in line with CPI, RPI and Inflation.