

TO: REGULATORY COMMITTEE – 24th January 2007

SUBJECT: CHANGE OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE FEES

FROM: MEMBERS' SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To consider a suggestion from officers that the fee for dual licences be changed to £30 per annum.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Until recently, the council issued separate licences for hackney carriage and private hire drivers.
- 2.2 A new type of badge is now issued which is plasticised with the driver's photograph embedded into it. The badge is a dual one enabling the holder to drive both private hire and hackney carriage vehicles.
- 2.3 The previous fee for a hackney carriage and private hire badges was £25 each. Officers propose to charge £30 for a combined badge.

3. POLICY AND BUDGET FRAMEWORK

- 3.1 To offset the cost of loss of income from those who previously paid £50 for a combined badge.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 That the Committee agrees that the increase in cost for the combined annual licence fee is proportionate to the costs involved.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL

Areas and the District Affected:	All
Key Decision:	Yes
Included in Forward Plan:	No

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