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Report Cover Sheet																																										
Name of Meeting:		Regulatory Committee																																								
Date of Meeting:		26th February 2008																																								
Report Title:		Changes to hackney carriage fares																																								
Summary of report:		To consider a request from drivers for an increase to the hackney carriage fares table																																								
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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Policy Framework:		No																																								
Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budgetary framework:		No																																								
Wards of the District directly affected by this decision:		No																																								
Key Decision?		No																																								
Included within the Forward Plan?		No																																								
Is the report Private & Confidential		No																																								
Background Papers:		None																																								
Consultation Undertaken Below is a table of the Council's regular consultees. However not all have to be consulted on every matter and if there was no obligation to consult with a specific consultee they will be marked as n/a.																																										
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Officer Approval		
With regard to officer approval all reports must be approved by the report author's relevant director, Finance Services and Legal Services.		
Officer Approval	Date	Name
Relevant Director(s)	28/01/2008	Robert Inman
Chief Executive		n/a
CMT		n/a
Section 151 Officer		n/a
Legal	28/01/2008	Simon Best
Finance	28/01/2008	Marcus Miskinis
Final Decision?		No
Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below)		

1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The local hackney carriage drivers have requested an increase in fares charged by them within the District.

2. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 Following representations from various factors within the hackney carriage drivers of the District it is proposed that the fares chargeable should be increased.
- 2.2 The fares were last increased on 3rd March 2006 to the rates shown on the attached fare card (Appendix 1)
- 2.3 It appears that most drivers are not in favour of increasing the starting point shown on the meter from £3.40
- 2.4 The suggestion is that "each subsequent 230 meters (1/7 of a mile)" should be changed to "each subsequent 220 yards (1/8 of a mile)" The charge for this of £0.20 should remain the same. This means that subsequent miles will cost £1.60 instead of £1.40. After 23:00, this will rise to £2.40 from £2.10.
- 2.5 Should Members agree to these rises, an advertisement will be placed in a local newspaper explaining the new charges, giving a period of 14 days for representations against them to be made.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 3.1 No alternatives may be considered as this report is for information only.

4. BUDGETARY FRAMEWORK

- 4.1 This report has no budgetary considerations for the Council

5. POLICY FRAMEWORK

- 5.1 None