


SCREENING FOR IMPACT DECISION CHECKLIST

Appendix 2

Name of policy/service/function:	Draft amendment to Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Licence Conditions
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Purpose of policy/service/function:	<p>It is a duty of the Council to ensure that the vehicles it licenses, either hackney carriages (HC) or private hire vehicles (PHV), are safe to be used on the road. The travelling public assume that the vehicles in which they are travelling are safe with the aim of licensing policy being to ensure that this assumption is correct.</p> <p>The aim of local authority licensing of the taxi and PHV trades is to protect the public. Local licensing authorities must also be aware that the public should have reasonable access to taxi and PHV services, because of the part they play in local transport provision. Licensing requirements which are unduly stringent will tend unreasonably to restrict the supply of taxi and PHV services, by putting up the cost of operation or otherwise restricting entry to the trade. Local licensing authorities should recognise that too restrictive an approach can work against the public interest – and can, indeed, have safety implications.</p>
Your reasons for proceeding immediately with an equality impact assessment.	Not applicable

<p>Your reasons for not proceeding immediately with an equality impact assessment (e.g. insufficient time - describe other current priorities, no data/information available).</p>	<p>Insufficient data available</p> <p>The screening process has highlighted the need to undertake a full equality impact assessment.</p> <p>From analysing the data available the proposal may unduly restrict the supply of wheelchair accessible vehicles in the district. This data will be collated and consultees views will be sought.</p>
<p>Your reasons why it is not necessary to undertake equality impact assessment on this policy.</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>

Monitoring of screening process:

<p>Date of monitoring:</p>	<p>24th October 2011</p>
<p>Actions agreed:</p>	<p>To collate additional data relating to wheelchair accessible vehicles</p>
<p>Signature of Head of Service:</p>	
<p>Date:</p>	<p>28th October 2011</p>