

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

11 MARCH 2021

UPDATE ON PERFORMANCE AND ENFORCEMENT MATTERS

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To inform the Committee of the activity and performance of the Licensing Team and to provide Members with details of current ongoing enforcement issues.

2.0 Background

2.1 A new applicant for a Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Drivers or Private Ambulance Drivers Licence have to undergo various checks. These include a: Disclosure and Barring check; DVLA check; two references are required; Group II medical; and knowledge & ability tests.

2.2 This report covers the period from 1 October to 31 December 2020 inclusive and sets out the range and number of licence applications during this period. It also highlights any activity required as a result of the applications.

Application Type	New Applications Received	Renewal of Applications Received	Number Issued	Comments
Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver	0	15	15	
Ambulance Drivers	6	13	19	
Hackney Carriage Vehicles	2	24	26	
Private Hire Vehicles	1	7	8	
Private Ambulance Vehicle Licence	6	34	40	

2.3 Street Collections

The table below sets out the numbers of collections undertaken within the reporting period of 1 October to 31 December 2020 and the charities supported. The organisations undertaking the collections are required to complete a return that sets out the 80% of the collection that is returned to the charity.

Charity	Location	Date	Total amount collected	% returned to charity
Betel UK	Southwell	12.12.20	£864.19	100%
Southwell and District Lions Club	Southwell	19.12.20	£780.76	100%
Newark Round Table	Newark	20.12.20	Info to follow	

2.4 House to House Collections

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Charity	Date	Total Amount Collected	% Returned to Charity
Yorkshire Children's Trust	1-31 October 2020	£159.56	80%
Cancer Support UK	1 October to 14 December 2020	£46.13	100%
Children with Cancer UK	Whole Area - 30.10.2020	£44.16	85%
Yorkshire Children's Trust	1 to 30 November 2020	£126.96	80%
Just Helping Children Charity	4 November 2020	£161.60	100%
Edwinstowe & the Dukeries Lions Club	2 to 23 December 2020	£3581.99	91%
Rotary Club of Ravenshead and Blidworth	7-14 December 2020	£135.85	80%

2.5 Enforcement Issues

Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Ongoing Enforcement Activity between 1 October to 31 December 2020

Location	Activity	Date Case Opened	Action Taken So Far
Northgate Railway Station	Complaint from a Z Cars driver that a NSDC driver was verbally abusive and threatening towards him when he was collecting a passenger from the station	01.10.20	The complainant withdrew the complaint soon after making it. LEO spoke to the offending driver who gave a different account. Driver was told that the complaint will not be pursued as it has been withdrawn, but has been recorded and will be taken into account should any further incidents occur.
Northgate Railway Station	Complainant was dropping off a passenger at the station when another driver approached and raised his middle finger at him	12.10.20	LEO spoke to the offending driver who denied that this happened. Advice given re expected standards of behaviour
	Driver reported that many of the station taxis were not displaying roundels on the vehicle	14.10.20	LEO has been giving out roundels over the past few months to those that need them

3.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Committee consider the contents of the report and identifies any issues it wishes to examine further.

Background Papers – Nil

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