

## **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

**10 MARCH 2022**

### **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 2021 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.

<b>Application Type</b>	<b>New Applications Received</b>	<b>Renewal of Applications Received</b>	<b>Number Issued</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Driver	6	10	13	3 new applications still pending
Ambulance Drivers	7	7	12	1 new application withdrawn. 1 new application still pending.
Hackney Carriage Vehicles	3	12	15	
Private Hire Vehicles	2	9	11	
Private Ambulance Vehicle Licence	1	39	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 2021 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.

<b>Charity</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Total amount collected</b>	<b>% returned to charity</b>
Macmillan Cancer Support	Southwell	2.11.2021	£711.23	100%
Betel UK	Southwell	15.12.2021	£508.01	100%
Southwell & District Lions Club	Southwell	18.12.2021	£643.99	100%

## 2.4 House to House Collections

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Charity	Date	Total Amount Collected	% Returned to Charity
Child and Teenage Cancer and Leukaemia Foundation	November 2021	£89.00	100%
Cancer Research and Genetics UK	May to November 2021	£180	80%
Children with Cancer UK	17 November 2021	£52.92	85%
World Cancer Care	November to December 2021	£50.30	100%
Edwinstowe & the Dukeries Lions Club	1 to 20 December 2021	£7,356.00	95%
Southwell and District Lions Club	7 -23 December 2021	£7,796.75	97%
Rotary Club of Ravenshead and Blidworth	1 to 24 December 2021	£763.37	91%

## 2.5 Enforcement Issues

### **Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Ongoing Enforcement Activity between 1 October to 31 December 2021**

Location	Activity	Date Case Opened	Action Taken So Far
Middle Gate, Newark	Taxi Inspection	01.11.2021	HC Inspection – all in order
North Gate, Newark	Taxi Inspection	01.11.2021	HC Inspection – all in order
Castle Gate, Newark	Report of a taxi driver loading passengers into the boot of his vehicle	01.11.2021	The driver was interviewed and explained that the person who climbed into the boot was seated in one of two pop up seats in the boot area. LEO was satisfied with the explanation but advised him to load passengers through the side doors not the boot. No further action.
Middle Gate, Newark	Taxi Inspection	02.11.2021	4 actions (front and rear washers not working, no warning triangle, no spare bulbs). LEO followed up with a further inspection where all but one action had been done. Another inspection done in December and found all in order.
North Gate Station, Newark	Taxi Inspection	02.11.2021	HC inspection. All in order.
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Castle Gate, Newark	Verbally aggressive taxi driver	23.11.2021	LEO spoke to the driver, who denied being rude or aggressive. LEO advised on the conduct expected from licensed drivers.

### **3.0 RECOMMENDATION**

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

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