

What is your organisation?	It is proposed to introduce minimum dimensions for the passenger compartment with regard to seat width, legroom and height clearance as well as minimum boot capacity. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 1	Suggested dimensions are as follows: maximum ground clearance 175mm; minimum rear legroom 700mm; minimum rear head room 900mm; minimum boot capacity 450litres; minimum rear seat width 1200mm. Do you have any comments on the proposed dimensions? - Question 2	It is proposed that the owner/registered keeper of the licensed vehicle requires to be the licence holder. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 3	It is proposed to exempt vehicles leased or on hire purchase from this policy. Do you have any comments on the policy and the suggested exemption? - Answer	It is proposed that vehicle licences are granted for 3 years in line with other Civic Government (Scotland) Act licences. Tests will be required every 6 months. An additional condition will be added to the licence stating that where a vehicle does not have a current test pass (certificates the vehicle may not be used as a taxi or private hire vehicle). Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 4	Currently the fee for a vehicle licence is £395.00 and an annual renewal fee of £215.00. It is proposed that the fee for a 3 year licence including 6 tests be set at £550.00. Do you have any comments on the policy or proposed fee? - Answer	It is proposed to abolish the separate zones and simply have one licence for the Council's area. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 5	Separate zones are no longer considered necessary. The Airport Management Company have direct control over the ranks on their land. Only approved vehicles are permitted to utilise the main rank at the terminal building, controlled via camera-controlled barriers. There are no zones specific to any of the other major airports in Scotland. This would also result in administrative savings to both the Council and licence holders. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 5	It is proposed that the updated policy provides minimum specifications for CCTV systems but does not restrict to particular makes or models. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 5	Only CCTV or Dashcam systems that meet the following specification shall be included on the licensing authority's approved list. *Wiring of the CCTV/Dashcam system must be compliant with current British Standards. *CCTV/Dashcam cameras must be permanently wired and turned on and off by the ignition only. They cannot have a switch to be turned on or off manually, or be powered by a dashboard cigarette lighter. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 6	It is proposed to introduce a dress code for taxi and private hire car drivers. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 6	A suggested dress code would be a plain shirt or blouse, dress trousers or skirt and shoes and the explicit prohibitions from wearing jeans, t-shirts, trackuits (tops or bottoms), trainers and football type attire. Company badges or branding would be permitted on the shirt or blouse. A company logo or motif would also be permitted. Do you have any comments on the policy and the suggested dress code? - Answer	It is proposed to allow medical evidence to be provided in advance by all applicants. A 2-tier fee system is suggested, whereby applicants who provide their own medical evidence that they meet DVLA Group 2 standards with their application would pay a lower fee than those who require assessment by the Council's Occupational Health provider. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 7	It is proposed to allow applicants to obtain evidence from their own medical professional that they meet DVLA Group 2 standards. Applicants will have the option to obtain the evidence via the Council's Occupational Health Service if unable to obtain it from another medical professional. Do you have any comments on this proposal? - Answer	It is proposed that driver licences are granted for 3 years in line with other Civic Government (Scotland) licences. Do you agree with this proposal? - Question 6	It is proposed that the fee for a 3 year licence is £110.00 if your own medical evidence is provided with the application or £230.00 if assessment is required from the Council's Occupational Health Service. Do you have any comment on the policy or the proposed fees? - Answer	It is proposed to introduce a requirement for all vehicles to be alongside other policies such as the WAV policy and that on age of vehicles. The timescale will be partly dependent on the provision of suitable infrastructure to make the policy viable. Do you have any comments on the policy, a suggested timescale and how the policy may interact with the other policies mentioned above? - Answer	Do you have any other comments? - Answer		
Ph taxi	Yes	No	Yes	All should have same rules	Yes	That's ok	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Needs to be enforced	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Taxi	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
N/A	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	It should be transferrable as Vehicle may change during the 3 years.	Yes	No	No	no	Yes	Do not agree with proposal as too restrictive. Jeans should be acceptable	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	WAV has never been fully implemented so interested to see this initiative progressing.	No	
Rainbow City Taxis	Yes	N/a	Yes	Agree	Yes	Better value per year is a good thing but many drivers won't be able to pay £550.00 in one transaction. Will there be an option to pay this up eg. 3 payments over 3 months of £183.00?	Yes	Na	Yes	Na	Yes	Sounds okay	Yes	Na	Yes	Na	No	Na	Na	Na
Taxi driver	Yes	agree	Yes	No	Yes	High price for some drivers to pay in one go especially in current times	No	No	No	I think the drivers would need a grant to meet with the price	Yes	I think a shirt is a bit OTT surely a polo shirt with trousers and shoes is enough	No	No	No	Ok price	Yes	I've looked at an electric car and I should there is many that meets with this new minimum size that you are looking to introduce	I'm hearing of a lot of passengers being over charged by some drivers. That is bad for us law abiding drivers a feel a strongly worded email goes out. I don't know if I have received complaints about this but passengers I've had said they don't know who to contact. Surely nowadays it should be straight forward to make a complaint.	
N/A	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Does this mean any taxi can pickup at the airport rank.	Yes	Why can't we just use dashcams?	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Taxis	Yes	No	Yes	As long as the hp or lease company own the plates on the vehicle rather than managing them for someone else I don't see a problem	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	For cctv in the car I agree with all that but for dash cams facing out the car with sound turned off for the drivers peace of mind and possible insurance purposes I think normal dash cams should be permitted	Yes	No I would always expect a smartly dressed driver	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Self Employed	Yes	Ok	Yes	No	Yes	Ok	Yes	Ok	Yes	It's a basic deterrent security system for the driver why go for expensive systems	Yes	Agree	No	Why does it have to be group 2 standards	Yes	No comment	Yes	Agree	Sent out the machinery testing it is a disgrace and money making racket.	
Taxi driver	No	Not all customers are of same build	Yes	As a taxi driver of over 40 years I have said many times 1 person should only have to have their on plate thank you	Yes	At this moment in time I do not agree with this increase	Yes	I think the Airport will fight you on that proposed idea	Yes	I DON'T AGREE WITH THE ABOVE CRITERIA IN TAXIS SO IT'S A NO FROM ME	Yes	Again this is very difficult to agree but my thoughts are yes	Yes	I am sure that there again be a cost for this for the council or taxi driver cover the cost	Yes	As I said above	No	As I have always said anyone coming into the taxi trade must drive WAV for 4 years then be given the opportunity to have a saloon car	When the taxi rank spaces are up for debates please listen to the people who use them the taxi drivers	
Taxi Driver	Yes	agree with minimum dimensions!	Yes	Any changes should be for all cars including leased. Private owners will be discriminated otherwise!	Yes	Agree with change	Yes	Why not do away with red plate yellow plate and green plate I And have one single plate covering all I	Yes	I have always felt cctv should be mandatory in cars for passenger and drivers safety!	Yes	Have only ever worked at Rainbow and have always had a dress code I	Yes	Agree	Yes	Agree	Yes	As long as the changes apply to every driver I would agree!	I've been driving a red plate for over 10 years because I wanted to use a saloon car. I have always felt I am being discriminated against because other drivers have been allowed to put new saloon cars on the road because they already have a yellow plate. If changes are made I hope it covers everyone to avoid discrimination	
DEREK MCBRIDE	Yes	Context required, as in... currently drive a Ford Mondeo, what is mondeo dimensions?	No	No exemptions, one rule for everyone or no rule change, the only ones who would benefit from exemption are bigger companies	Yes	Good idea	No	This proposal, while seemingly well thought out is not, you've got to go back to why separate zones were implemented in the first place, if this policy was approved there would be anarchy at the airport, especially at the heliports, driver's arguing and fighting, which are not conducive to a pleasant environment for passengers	Yes	No comment, other than I think driver's should be permitted to fit any dash cam they want for their own protection and not have to pay for any additional license for them	Yes	Should have been introduced decades ago	No	The current system where everyone pays the same is better, are you seriously suggesting that those who most need help and understanding will have to pay more for the privilege of renewing their license, those who are having medical conditions are those who work and earn less and you want to punish them financially even more. It's like asking those on minimum wage to subsidise company directors. No one asks for medical conditions or thinks it will ever happen to them, but it does, show some compassion	Yes	Ridiculous, disgusting who ever thinks this a progressive policy should hang their head in shame	Yes	No comment until concrete proposals offered	None that would be listened to	
Ph	No	No	No	No	Yes	Seems a bit expensive at this time	Yes	I don't think there should be zones	Yes	Seems ok	Yes	Totally fir that	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Fees should be reduced as paying a lumpsum amount of 550€ is too much...	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Normal plain jeans and collar shirt should also be allowed.	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Saloon plates should also be allowed. Like if no of taxi plates are lets say 1000 than atleast 30% - 40% vehicles should be allowed to be saloons as well.	
Apcoa Parking UK	Yes	No. Large enough for adult passengers and 2 large and 2 small suitcases in the boot	No	How do you enforce that? What if it's leased at the rate of £1 per year?	Yes	no	No	A letter will be submitted to the committee covering the range of issues this would cause	Yes	no	Yes	Long overdue. Would fully support	Yes	no	Yes	no	no	I think the taxi drivers should be shown a breakdown of costs and exactly where the savings would be made and what that means in real terms before being asked to consider such fundamental changes.		
Self employed taxi driver	Yes	No problem with the dimensions, but surely the driver (shape & size) should be at the forefront, as from my own personal choice of vehicle at the moment, is my comfort, due to the time spent in the car	Yes	No opinion	Yes	Agree with your proposal	Yes	Should have been no zones years ago	Yes	My own opinion is that some drivers that I know have the cameras in the cars as hopefully a deterrent to any issues, these cameras can be purchased and installed for a few pounds, added expense might see a lot of them removed	Yes	Totally agree	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	The sum of £550 is a large sum to pay in a one of payment. Maybe 2 or 3 equal payments over a 12 month period	No	No	Yes	No	No	I think smart t shirts dress trousers and shoes are suitable	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	
Taxi driver	Yes	No	No	None	Yes	No	No	I feel the airport should be separate zone for total coverage of all flight times	Yes	No	Yes	Totally agree with dress code	Yes	Agree	Yes	Agree	No	No	No	
Taxi driver	Yes	No	Yes	My thoughts are one plate one car no hiring of plates for people who have retired but kept their plate	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Do not have one	Yes	Should have been done years ago people for example coming off a train getting into a taxi with his jeans away down his backside not good impression all for it	Yes	No	Yes	Part one I don't agree with that's an increase	No	No	The lack of service from council is atrocious our insurance company are requested proof of badge as we are constantly phoning to get certificate ps prior to covid 19 30 plus years a taxi driver and I'm afraid it's the worst it's ever been sorry for saying this but it's the truth	
self-employed taxi driver	Yes	none	Yes	none	Yes	seems fare but will you be able to pay in instalments ?	No	only consideration about this is the parking charges at airport for dropping off passengers it seems an fare for passengers to pay a surcharge for being dropped off at airport	Yes	none	No	can't see a problem about dress code but I agree with the not allowing trackuits / trainers / football attire t shirts and shirts with certain logos on them. I don't understand the part about the jeans as some of the jeans can cost more than trousers (black jeans can look like trousers)	Yes	don't know have not had to do this yet	Yes	thought this was in with license fees already?	No	don't know as council keep changing thing and dates for changing policies about the taxi trade	just that council do not keep taxi driver informed about any changes that come along (especially at the taxi office changes are often only found out from other drivers passing on what's happened)	
	No	Will all cars have to meet this requirement	Yes	Fine	Yes	There is a global pandemic and trade is down 80% where are drivers to get that sort of money from	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes allow all dashcams	Yes	Fine by me	Yes	No	Yes	No	10 years	I can't believe the council has proposed this in the middle of a global pandemic		

Ph taxi driver	No	Old people and over weight	No	You all are just making people's life difficult	No	No that's not right. 1st your to expensive and. Now your making people pay large sums. Should be helping taxi driver not making things even more difficult.	No	I'm a red plate	No	No cos I'll a red plate that's why its booking only	No	Crazy fix the roads 1st	No	No	No	Who proposed that other taxi driver or someone sitting in the in a office. Its all about fees. And making your own jokes easier.	Yes	want to put a tests in taxi.	When is there going to be a taxi broad meeting open to the taxi drivers. Its attend and have there voice heard.		
Taxi driver at the Airport	Yes	That dimensions seem to be fair	No	You just said in your last question that the owner/registered keeper must be the licensed holder, then this question, I don't think so, who's behind this thinking I wonder?	No	The way things are just now it's the wrong time to be asking this question	Yes	I think your right	Yes	N/a	No	Most drivers are self employed so it should be their decision to wear what they think is right.	Yes	That's fine	Yes	No	No	No	No		
	No	Donot know	No	Ok	Yes	This will be ok. But what happened if changed the vehicle in between.	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	A selfemployed person donot need to wear company logo or uniform	Yes	Donot know	Yes	No	No	Donot know	No		
Taxi driver	Yes	No sounds good	Yes	Yes I do as some people can only afford this I just don't agree with people playing someone else for a saloon plate when they should be Waw	Yes	Yes 3 years sounds ok less paperwork	No	I am happy how things are	Yes	Dash Cams are good idea	Yes	Yes this is a good	No	No comment	No	No comment	No	Not everyone can afford electric cars should be up to driver	No comment		
Taxi	No	No	Yes	No it's got to be the same for everyone	Yes	Yes this seems okay	Yes	Yes I agree	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Get from own medical professional	Yes	Own medical	Yes	No	No		
	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes pay for 3years circumstances mean you leave taxi trade after 1 year rebate for 2 years has to be paid	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Rebates should be paid if you leave before 3 years are done	No	As policy on WAW been changed quite a few times and no policy regarding other vehicles should be introduced until WAW policy is settled once and for all	No		
Taxi driver	No	You need boot space for luggage and any folding prams wheelchair etc I have seen this at first hand when saloon cars can't handle 2 suitcases	Yes	I plate one driver it is a unfair policy where you have to buy a wheelchair accessible when drivers are flouting the rules so they can have a saloon car 5 mins after passing there Hackney test	No	I would rather keep things as they are as it's easy to forget when your plate is due	No	I have worked at airport for 16years I think this is the worst idea for simple reasoning who will cover late flights on a Friday Saturday night everyone wants a piece of the airport on day shift but not after 8pm at night customers come first not the city fleet and offices being a zoned area stops the practice of home cover in the evenings and weekends	Yes	Sorry but a dash cam is a dash cam it's the driver who has to foot the bill not council and if its in accordance with government standards we are not the police we are taxi drivers just covering our backs from accidents and theft	Yes	Totally agree	Yes	No	Yes	Unacceptable	Yes	I'm all for this but good luck finding a wheelchair accessible vehicle for more the 20years as I have should be given the choice of a saloon car plate yellow city or green airport as they have paid there dues this will cover your dual fuel problem anyone coming into trade as a new licence should be put into a wheelchair plate until they have been working for 4years 1 plate one driver should be implemented unless they work for a company	think anyone who has been driving a wheelchair accessible vehicle for more the 20years as I have should be given the choice of a saloon car plate yellow city or green airport as they have paid there dues this will cover your dual fuel problem anyone coming into trade as a new licence should be put into a wheelchair plate until they have been working for 4years 1 plate one driver should be implemented unless they work for a company		
private hire	No	when you get three people in the back of any car its tight you possible reduce this by plating the car to 3 passengers. 1 in front two in back would give more comfort	Yes	no	Yes	great idea	Yes	no	No	/	Yes	every driver should look smart good for city image	No	no	Yes	no to high a price	Yes	good idea hybrid or electric is way forward good again for town driving less pollution	could it be possible for all drivers to have same plate better for the public and driver has more options on where to go. For rail airport if all zones where opened		
self employed Taxi Driver	Yes	This may reduce the options available when looking at alternative vehicles.	Yes	No	Yes	Looks ok	No	If the airport are controlling the vehicles that operate on there property and is not controlled by the council then this should be a separate zone	Yes	ok	Yes	agreed	Yes	agreed all drivers should hold a medical certificate	Yes	agreed	No	alternative fuelled vehicles are just starting to develop, all electric are expensive to buy and the replacing of battery's are very expensive. Insurance restrictions, potential to run out of charge in remote areas, having to stop and recharge battery on journeys, more charging points dedicated to taxis, best council buys the vehicles and lease them to drivers that way were not putting people out of business	No		
Airport Taxis	Yes	Seems reasonable.	Yes	No comment	Yes	This also seems reasonable	No	Approved vehicles/ drivers need to be vetted by the airport to weed out unscrupulous drivers and ensure a consistent good quality of service. Driver conduct must also be checked, and if found to be below standard, would result in immediate removal/banning from the airport's ranks. Also, there must be a shift rotation in place to ensure that a minimum amount of cars serve the airport every night during the weekend this would be essential as drivers would abandon that rank to work the far more lucrative city centre.	Yes	Seems reasonable.	Yes	I agree with almost all of it, however I would allow trainers on the strict rule that they must be matt black, with minimal logos showing, ie not white or multicoloured.	Yes	No comment	Yes	No comment	No	No comment	No	No comment	When applying for licence renewals by email, it would be appreciated if there was a reply acknowledging receipt of application, along with a timescale for how long the process takes. A lot of the time, the application is sent and then I don't hear a thing about it for months on end until it is completed.
Self employed	No	Why change?	Yes	No	No	Lump sum at once may be to much for drivers taking in other running.	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	I've been in the taxi trade for over 30 year and there's been a dress	No	No	Yes	I think it should be a one off payment for a licence. I think every	No	No	No		
Taxi Driver	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No		
Taxi driver	Yes	Does this relate to all vehicles ie saloon,estate and wheelchair accessible	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Does that mean no green plates and if so that's fine	Yes	I don't use CCTV in my car does that mean it would be compulsory is so I don't agree	Yes	Driving in shoes for a period of time is not what I would consider comfortable so maybe all one colour training shoes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	
Taxi Driver	No	Why would you change or even think about this during a global pandemic. All cars on current list are fine now. If anything get more saloon cars on road and less wheelchair cars.	Yes	No vehicle should be exempt from this but people are profiting from renting out saloon plates and this should not be allowed. If someone wants to drive a taxi that plate should be his and no one else. To much companies and retired drivers renting out saloon plates at £100 a month. This should be stopped	No	Leave as it is. We are going through a global pandemic taxi trade is down 80% so if this was in force now drivers would need to find £500 if renewal was now. Easier to find £235. No body knows what is going to happen in the future so leave as things are.	No	Again leave as is the airport is already profiting with drop off charges if zone was done away with they will end up putting more barriers in place and more charges in place. Who ever is thinking these things up need to have a long hard look at themselves and try being a taxi driver instead of thinking up stupid things to change as per this survey	Yes	For god sake. Why is someone thinking up all this rubbish can we not just keep things simple. Dash cams or CCTV is only for passenger and driver safety if you start putting all this rubbish in drivers will not have it. All this survey seems to be about costing the trade more money that it can't afford.	No	All drivers are self employed until we are employed by council or taxi companies they can't stipulate a dress code. Need to take a look at some of your own council staffs. Dress code unbelievable	Yes	Again leave as is for god sake everything on here is costing an already cash strapped trade more money. Instead of some one sitting making up this rubbish can they not get our license renewals out in less than 9 months, apparently due to covid but the year before was the same	No	Again leave as is for god sake everything on here is costing an already cash strapped trade more money. Instead of some one sitting making up this rubbish can they not get our license renewals out in less than 9 months, apparently due to covid but the year before was the same	No	Alternative fuelled vehicles won't work for taxis to much miles covered and not enough battery charge for a day also no charging points. WAW policy should be changed to much on the road compared to wheelchair users. A lot of elderly people can't get into town as they are to high and are not comfortable standing on a step to get in. I have never been flagged down by a wheelchair user and think most wheelchair user would call and book a taxi.	Get back wynd taxi rank reinstated and night time ranks open again get rid of the stupid mess on Union street gone so passengers may be dropped off safely. A system that works must be left as it is stop trying to get more money out of a trade of elderly people can't get into town as they are to high and are not comfortable standing on a step to get in. I have never been flagged down by a wheelchair user and think most wheelchair user would call and book a taxi.		
Taxi	Yes	I agree	Yes	I agree	No	I completely disagree.	No	No	Yes	I disagree with any part being fixed to the ignition. You are not taking into account when a driver needs a replacement vehicle due to an accident and there is no guarantee the replacement vehicle will have this facility	No	I disagree.	Yes	No comment	Yes	The medical fee used to incorporate a medical. This is a forced increase on the driver. Unfair	No	I reserve judgement	Don't make it harder than it is to taxi drivers. Any increase affects a bottom line that is detrimental to the driver, who currently works for less than the minimum wage		
Taxi driver	Yes	Minimum rear leg room could depend on how far back driver has his seat! Am Rt 2 so need my seat right back meaning less rear leg room.	Yes	No	No	3 years is to much. If you leave within 3yrs would you get a refund?	Yes	No	Yes	Wived to the car is just another cost to the driver. Power from a cigarette lighter should be allowed.	Yes	A company judge to going to far as again this would just be another cost to the driver!!	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No		
Self employed	No	No need for change	No	no	No	A 3 year policy is a very big outcry. Would it be refundable should the vehicle/driver retire?	Yes	With the airport zone currently charging taxis to drop off/pick up at the airport, (which rises without notice) why not assign a drop-off / pick-up point outwith the charged area?	No	Dashcams are for the drivers personal safety, and should not be included in any ACC policies. No should there be a charge/licence required.	No	When working, I dress for comfort (which may include jeans and trainers). But I'd gladly wear a "uniform" if the council were to issue the required attire.	No	At what age do require a medical to drive? My current driving licence, allows me to drive until I'm 70 years old.	Yes	The fee is £5 more than the current £35 per year. And charging £230 for a medical is inappropriate and unnecessary.	No	Since the departure of a Hackney sergeant, an taxi / ph's being "looked after" by Fleet Services, it seems that the department is less approachable, and only seems to be looking for profit, with the constant changes to terms and conditions.			
Aberdeen Taxi Service	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Any formal wear should be permitted.	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No		
Taxi driver	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No		
Derek's Taxi	Yes	The council should implement the 100 per cent wheelchair policy. This would give everyone the same boot width. It would also stop the discrimination in the trade towards passengers and drivers. The council have had nearly 30 years to put this right.	Yes	Hiring needs to be outlawed as the plates belong to the council and third parties shouldn't be benefiting from hiring them out. Offices can directly employ drivers paying tax pensions etc.	No	The fee should be part refundable if the driver has more than a year left on the plate when leaving the industry	No	This would disadvantage the town drivers who wouldn't be allowed to pick up at the airport. The council would have to provide much more rank space to accommodate all these cars	Yes	Should be allowed to record in the car also	Yes	I largely agree but sometimes jeans and trainers are more comfortable when sitting in a car all day. Not ripped ones or tatty ones though	Yes	No	Yes	No	Certainly have to be a better system than the current sticking plaster WAW policy	think consultation has been sadly lacking in the past. All drivers are business owners and the council should be consulting far wider than the office p Owners. The taxi consultation group should be emailing drivers prior to meetings and gauging their views. Currently they are acting for themselves. Likewise they should be reporting back to drivers after meetings. If changes such as closing ranks are proposed then the drivers who work these ranks need consulted prior to changes being implemented			

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Self employed	No	None	Yes	No	No	I may retire before 3 years is up not willing to pay £550	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Great idea	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No		
	Yes	No	Yes	For leased vehicle I agree but what happens when the finance on the vehicle is finished. Would this not lead to more unnecessary paperwork.	Yes	No comment	No	I disagree because it could lead to no taxis being at the airport on a busy Friday/Saturday night.	Yes	No comment	Yes	I think polo tops should be include as should trainers and jeans, but must be in one piece ie not ripped. Basically smart but casual.	Yes	No comment	Yes	No comment	Yes	I am of the understanding that there are currently no WAV vehicles which use alternative fuel, also, if the introduction to anything akin to the WAV (facso) I will not be holding my breath for a speedy introduction.		
Taxi driver	No	Where are you getting your height dimensions from??	No	I see no reason to change anything	No	No need to change anything try and get enforcement to do there job correctly. I have renewed my badge and plate in August and still waiting on my copy of my paperwork	No	No zoning would mean that they would be able to pick up at any rank at any time	No	I don't have one	Yes	I think that this needs to be investigated further as we all have different dress codes for the different climates that we have in Aberdeen	Yes	I have a current HGV medical that should be more than appropriate for a taxi license	Yes	No	No	I believe that no date should be set as we all know that we have yet to get a vehicle that will do all the work		
Taxi driver	No	Only complaint iv got is when the elderly or disabled cant get into wheelchair vehicles	No	There is too much guys out there who have multiple plates and some aren't even taxi drivers and should be made to hand them back so other guys can become self employed and not pay extortionate prices for the hire for there taxi	No	Unsure about that one - in the long run you'd save money id be 70% in favour of that proposal	Yes	Yes iv been saying this for years the airport and the railway station should not be zoned this would allow the customer to get a better service	Yes	Unsure as some passengers might object to there yes i'd say time to give the public a good image of the taxi community. I'd have cctv fitted in my car	Yes	Too many cruffy taxi drivers out there yes i'd say time to give the public a good image of the taxi community.	Yes	How about some form that your own doctor can fill out and returned to licensing board save time and money	Yes	Yes i've covered everything in my answers	No	Really depends on what alternative fuel means and don't agree with me all have to be wheelchair accessible by 2033		
taxi	No	with this pandemic, some of the taxi drivers insisted covid protection screen which took a bit of space from back sits as well as driver. I think at the moment the priority is to protect the passengers and the drivers than imposing these measures.	No	some of the drivers when they have problem with their cars they have short term car from other drivers and with this proposal they won't be able to do that.	No	disagree, I don't think this is a good idea to impose extra costs to the taxi drivers whereas some days even they can not earn even a minimum wage. In fact I was inspecting with current climate to reduce the licence fee not to increase it.	Yes	That is a good proposal and will give drivers more flexibility.	No	again this will impose extra cost to the drivers.	No	I understand that drivers should dressed appropriately however, as a self employed this will take away their freedom. And I believe as a professional taxi driver everybody knows that they should dress appropriately which is a common sense and no need for imposing a dress code.	No	If any drivers develop a condition that proves he/she is unfit to drive a public transport automatically the relevant stakeholders will be informed and no for extra measures.	Yes	I am under the impression that council is just looking for an excuse to increase the licence fees and impose extra costs to the drivers. I have level 6 diploma in Occupational Health & Safety and Grad member of IOSH (Institution of Occupational Safety and Health) and this qualifies me to have my points. In H&S management system, we put new measures /procedures in place if we have accident and we take the opportunity to learn the lessons from that incident. My question is, during the last 10 years how many accidents are reported as a result of the medical condition of the taxi drivers, if the answer is zero then these new proposals are not necessary.	Yes	In Norway local authorities provide support in purchasing hybrid or electric car if Aberdeen city council willing to provide such a support I am supporting this proposal.		
Private hire driver	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Any reduction on overall running cost to drivers must be considered as a good thing and very proactive from the council's point, also this will be very "handy" when it comes to insurance renewal as there is an annual struggle to provide up to date certificates.	Yes	No	Yes	The cost of having a change of licence (EG0 believe) to have a dash cam fitted to the vehicle is too high to have any benefit from insurance savings, surely in the name of safety and crime prevention it would be beneficial for all licensed cars to have this without the financial "penalty" of changing licence conditions.	Yes	While I think a dress code is a good idea I firmly believe on individuality and choice of attire, t-shirts should be permitted with collars, also footwear should be to the drivers comfort. Personally I feel "dress shoes" are not safe or comfortable for driving	No	No	Yes	No	No			
	Yes	No comments	Yes	Agree	Yes	Agree	Yes	No comments	Yes	No	No	I shirt should be allowed	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	When suitable infrastructure is in place, then decisions can be made.		
	Yes	No	Yes	The policy should be 1 plate, 1 driver this would remove managed plates	Yes	Agree with above recommendation, the only thing is the fee, in the current climate it would be hard to find the funds	No	I think the current way of working is ok as to unzone the airport would bring more taxis into the city centre, as its too far to go out to the airport hoping to get a lift then you would end up with no taxis at the airport	No	Ctv is installed in taxis for the drivers safety and not so the government and council make money, the only stipulation should be switchable sound and hard wired, not that the memory card/ hard drive is kept in a secure box, all dash cams have sd cards not hard drives.	No	Smart casual should be the order of the day, you are driving all day or night so wearing shirts ect would not be comfortable. I agree with no blue jeans, trainers or large branded tops, but black jeans as long as they are not faded should be ok but definitely no ties	Yes	Your own doctor is just as qualified as the council occupational health provider. This is the way it should have always been	Yes	Yes but you should be making sure it falls in with the v1 a, class 2 medical requirements as type 2 diabetes isn't 1 of these.	No	Its been almost 30 years since the new policy was proposed and still no outcome so electrical cars ect, maybe by 2100.		
Comcabs	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	That is fair	Yes	Totally agree	Yes	Agree	Yes	No comment	Yes	Agree	Yes	No comment	Yes	2035 would be a good starting point		
Eric James Shearer 'Self employed Driver'	Yes	these dimensions seem adequate to me.	Yes	yes i agree with the proposal.	Yes	The proposed Fee is reasonable, in my opinion. Making it 3 years is also in my opinion the way to go.	Yes	If the "Zones" are abolished ? I feel that the "Green" & "Yellow" Plate scenarios STILL needs to be operated so as to distinguish between Airport & City working Taxis and not just rely on the camera-controlled barriers at the Airport.	Yes	My concern, personally, is that I/we (Taxi Drivers) have the ability to prove a "situation" happening within the car whilst transporting a Customer(s), for their safety as well as mine and in particular of Driver assault or Non-Payment of Hire. This to include Voice recording. A stipulation, if this was adopted, is that ALL drivers having a system such as this has Visible signs to inform the Customer located in strategic locations within the vehicle.	Yes	The company I work through (Rainbow City Taxis) has had this policy in place for years. Admittedly some drivers do not always follow the directives and are taken to task for this. I do believe that we as Taxi Drivers should be "smart" in our appearance, Jeans & Trainers, in my opinion do NOT do this.	No Comment.	Yes	Above Fees seem reasonable to me.	Yes	My concern is that there WILL be enough time given for each separate driver to see out the remainder of their finance (if) they have remaining before having to submit their new vehicle for inspection etc.	No other Comments		
private hire driver	Yes	none	Yes	no	Yes	ok	Yes	none	Yes	no	Yes	yes	Yes	no	Yes	no	No	no		
Self Employed	Yes	impossible to comment as have no way of measuring or measuring the impact of this	Yes	Yes, Other than recognised (private tax companies)", it should be one car, one driver. We need to end the practice of private individuals holding more than one licence and "renting them out" for use on vehicles they don't own. Licences should not be part of someone's "pension plan". The Licences belong to Aberdeen City Council. If not being used and operated on a car by the licence holder they should be surrendered to the Council and be available for actual operators to purchase. *This list should be compiled as a result of this consultation. To include, but not be limited to, Rainbow; Kirkhill Auto; Murisons; Aberdeen Taxi Centre. NB, unless a licence holder is recognised as owning or operating vehicles they should not be named on a licence.	Yes	Would this be required to be paid all at once or over two or three annual instalments?	Yes	How would it be determined which cars work the airport?	Yes	Data should be available to be downloaded ie removable disc.	Yes	Smart dark coloured jeans (indigo/navy/black) should be permitted for practicality, comfort and warmth). As the user of a WAV, dress trousers are not so practical for when securing chairs or moving them into or out of the car. Jeans don't look so bad if you've been kneeling down or accidentally brush against muddy chair wheels! Smart Trail Shoes or Boots should also be permissible for use in winter snow/frost/rain.	Yes	Would this apply to ALL new applicants?	Yes	Are you proposing that we need to have medical evidence with every new renewal, or just new applicants?	No	Can't comment without a definition of "alternative fuel". Are you talking full electric, hydrogen or hybrid vehicles?	No	Yes but hybrid dual fuel would be the only option. We have many oil clients that travel very far and often the hire changes as you go along where an electric vehicle does not give you the scope to adapt for example range of mileage, recharge stations availability and so on. Hybrid dual fuel still gives you the ability to adapt if the customer changes things. There is also a bigger more affordable range of these types of vehicles to pick from.
Aberdeen taxis	Yes	Due to the year we have all had and the possibility of rising taxes from government to recoup their outlays and the fact our income has reduced dramatically, it would be hard for the majority of drivers to be pigeon holed into buying unfavorable vehicles where only certain cars meet the criteria you want to set out right now. Possibly in a few years we introduce them but your risk set of drivers just simply packing in as it's just not worth it financially. Thanks	No	Why change something that has worked for many years and kept people employed and kept vehicle fleet numbers up, but also affording many clients choice of vehicles for their personal needs and comfort.	Yes	Yes that sounds ok	Yes	None	Yes	You are asking for requirements that are very expensive to buy and fit. Nearly all models have a manual off button as they are made for the mass market not for the small market that we are. I fully understand where you're coming from regarding our customers safety and data protection and agree with you, but it surely must be at an affordable cost to the driver where our market has changed in the last ten years where in reality we are not an affluent city any more and as a result our business has dropped but our costs mount up continually.	Yes	I fully agree as i wear dress shoes, dress trousers already but smart plain coloured collar t-shirt as it is far more comfortable to wear on a long shift in the warm sunny days.	Yes	I agree to paying my doctors surgery for the medical evidence to be sent to yourselves but i can't understand why we might need to pay a second fee to yourselves aswell?	Yes	I agree with providing my medical information with my licence for £130 as this has the correct information on it direct from the doctor. We found that the private companies you've used actually laughed and asked why i'm there for a test when i've already provided the information from my doctor straight to the council and is no different from the medical evidence you get from the private companies.	Yes	Yes but hybrid dual fuel would be the only option. We have many oil clients that travel very far and often the hire changes as you go along where an electric vehicle does not give you the scope to adapt for example range of mileage, recharge stations availability and so on. Hybrid dual fuel still gives you the ability to adapt if the customer changes things. There is also a bigger more affordable range of these types of vehicles to pick from.	None that I haven't already said. Thanks	

Taxiowner/driver	No	Leg room dimensions are a bit confusing. I have a skoda superb estate. It can comfortably fit two tall passengers sitting in front and rear seats. 700mm counted from front edge of rear seat to back of front seat would eliminate all saloons. Unless my opinion of leg room is wrong?	No	Can't see any issues with the current set up.	No	While the taxi trade is struggling with its very survival. Due to covid 19 and oil business decline etc. Paying yearly is a strain in itself.	No	The Airport Authority has always had direct control of the taxis. Nothing has changed except the unfair drop off charge to passengers. They still charge a fee for a select amount of drivers. Which still has the same issues as before. We can't use the airport ranks but unfairly they could use the city ranks. Creating another issue, not enough space on the taxi ranks as it is.	No	If a normal dashcam is used only for exterior recordings, eg. no camera able to record passengers. Surely this would be a big help in accident situations. Also we would add extra help to the police service. Which is always appreciated. Unless it's used for personal safety of the driver. The added conditions would not in my opinion be required. CCTV (interior) and DASHCAM (exterior) are two very different options that should not be bundled together.	Yes	I agree with no jeans trainers etc. But I also think a smart t shirt, chino trousers and clean appearance are jobs. Certain things should be banned, but sitting in a taxi for long periods, of time can render a shirt & trousers that are supposed to be dress attire to look scruffy.	Yes	After 43 years a taxi driver this is all new to me, so no comment.	Yes	any added fee is unwelcome but probably unavoidable? at least there are options available	No	Everything concerning alternative fuel and wavy is vague at the moment. As the taxi trade sometimes has long distance runs, mileage availability is an important issue. Also Better battery power, More affordable vehicles, Help from the government, Hydrogen more affordable, Hybrid allowed or not	A good taxi trade also needs a good help from the council to deliver the service. Better ranks and treated as public transport would help, eg. too much bus only measures creeping in.
All Cabs	Yes	One of the biggest problems is luggage, cars that have been passed by the council does not meet today's standard of luggage requirements and especially at the Airport where many drivers can't take or refuse luggage on the grounds it won't fit into their cars. It's time this was eradicated and only cars fit for purpose should be allowed a licence	Yes	One driver one licence, this debauchery of making money off taxi drivers because of circumstances is despicable and needs to stop. The likes of rainbow, murisons and outsiders have taken the trade to a level that's not norm. I've been down this road and to be paying between £11/14 thousand a year is day light robbery regardless of the drivers circumstances. I would suggest that the council should put a financial package in place to prevent scruples people within the trade and outer parameters of the trade to stop this ever happening again. I believe it used to be One driver one licence hence bring it back.	Yes	Yes it can be difficult for drivers to obtain that amount at once however, if the council would split it into 2 x 18 months payments would be more practical.	No	Yes they are as it prevents zone drivers working the city. As a former Airport Driver they make enough when things are good without having to infringe on the city	No	Without volume it's pretty useless	Yes	far to many drivers not properly attired	No	No comment	Yes	Disagree	No	No comment	None
Taxi	No	Legroom	Yes	No	No	Don't have comment on this	Yes	Do away with control of three ranks and open it to all drivers that have a licence to operate taxi's we pay for this fee the same as the airport drives	No	No	Yes	No trainers no hats clean shaven	No	Not sure	Yes	On the garden fence?	No	No	No
Taxi trade	Yes	I do think some saloon vehicles are not suitable for four passengers and luggage	Yes	I agree with vehicles on hire purchase as know one can really afford to purchase a vehicle outright. Not so sure about leased vehicles	No	I don't agree with this I think that due to the current financial climate £550 is quite a outlay in expenses I know we are in a current pandemic and has been at the top of restrictions but I didn't receive my licence for 2019 so if I am expected to pay more I would expect a better provision from licensing	Yes	Yes I think the airport should be de-zoned I think it's unfair that airport vehicles can work city ranks at all drivers be of smart but casual appearance. Would there be some sort of grant or compensation for supplying this equipment	No	In theory cctv is a good idea but again this is another extra cost to the drivers	Yes	Yes there should be a dress code I drive for COMCAB and they insist on all drivers be of smart but casual appearance. I always dress in shirt and trousers	Yes	I agree that if you meet all DVLA requirements to hold a valid driving licence I don't think you should be refused a licence	Yes	We already have our licenses granted for three years. But I don't agree with the driver incurring the cost for the medical again this is another cost being added to the drivers again we seem to be developing a pattern of increased costs to drivers. If you meet all DVLA requirements why would you need a medical?	Yes	Yes I totally agree with alternative fuelled vehicles it really is a no brainer but with ACC. Crusade to have every vehicle WAV is unattainable again it is done to cost and affordability with some of the new hybrid BLACK CABS starting at about £5000. That's a huge investment to start any business. Think ACC should be looking at the bigger environmental picture and granting more licenses for hybrid vehicles but only granted to drivers who have held a license for more than ten years I think this a more sensible approach rather than huge sums of money. On consultations about making the whole city fleet WAV	Yes I do think that every new driver should be made to drive a WAV VEHICLE for a minimum of say three years. I think the plates from I think the owner of the plate and the vehicle should be the same
Taxi Drivers	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes I feel a yellow plate licensed taxi should be allowed to operate at the Railway and Airport as we here in Aberdeen are representing The city and should be allowed to provide the best service possible	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dressing smart makes yourself feel good and is nice for the city	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Rainbow	No	Whilst I am a WAV driver I feel the strength of the Aberdeen City taxi fleet is to have a diverse representation of vehicles, to ensure there are vehicles for every purpose and occasion.	Yes	I agree with this proposition as there are too many third party licence holders, using it to make money without actually operating themselves.	Yes	Large single cash payment given the current taxi climate. Should include some form of payment options.	No	Would need evidence of any kind of savings to drivers.	Yes	It is right to have an electronic standard for fitted equipment, but CCTV systems should not be mandatory.	Yes	Yes I agree, smartens up the taxi fleet.	No	If deemed healthy enough to drive a vehicle and operate their WAV as done during the hackney, why has this relevance and seems another layer of bureaucracy around licence grant or renewal.	Yes	Both fees seem fair.	Yes	These matters will need resolved in particular the WAV issue.	No
self employed taxi driver	No	will be limited to what type of car we can purchase, 70% of customers that book a taxi through the office i work for ask for a saloon car, no problem getting them in or out, most of the elderly do not want a WAV they say it's to hard to climb up into them.	Yes	A lot of drivers lease from company's as they can't get finance	Yes	I think it should be 1 test a year 6 month from your M.O.T. I do agree with the 3 year licence but not at £550.00	Yes	If the ranks are controlled by the Airport as it is their land who has the right to pick up from Babcock Heliport at the other side of the Airport, it needs to be made clear as we have Airport Taxi's saying it's their rank and you have Aberdeen Taxi's saying it's their rank yet the Manager at Babcock terminal 2 said no body has the right so sit there.	Yes	It seems strange that Taxi's are on the road 24/7 and if any crime or accident happens the police ask for Dashcam footage yet most Taxi's can't have them but Joe Bloggs can	Yes	I work for Rainbow Taxi's and we have a dress code, if you are caught wearing anything other than the above you will be asked to leave.	Yes	ALL drivers should be able to pass a medical	Yes	would be happy with the £110.00	Yes	I have changed to a hybrid last March.	I hope all the above will be for All taxi driver's as of current standers there is some strange dressed taxi driver's on the road.
Independent?	Yes	No	Yes	Sorry don't understand this question. It appears to contradict the above question? New drivers shouldn't be driving a saloon vehicle on a hired plate. It clearly states on the plate this plate belongs to Aberdeen City Council so why does the council allow the hiring of the plate. It costs 1000 plus to hire a plate per year. Car plus plate 200 per week = 10400 per year. The plate and the car must belong to the driver in my opinion hiring or managing equates to the same thing.	Yes	A bit expensive	No	I believe it would only add to congestion on ranks and create confusion amongst other drivers.	Yes	99% of dash cams have 50 cards which is very easy to access should the police or any other person require the footage.	Yes	The majority of the fleet are very presentable.	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	WAV and saloon vehicles. Possible idea. 10/15 years WAV then saloon plate providing all licensing kept upto date
Independent taxi driver	Yes	No	Yes	There are examples of drivers that should be on WAV vehicles, acquiring a plate from "various sources" and end up driving saloon plate cars. Some of these cars are registered to a separate person or company. Other drivers have bought WAV vehicles at a considerable more expense, and are hired at the thought of drivers recently coming into the trade now driving saloon/estate cars without the need for any considerable expense for a wheelchair conversion. May I ask that this practice needs to be addressed. The Council seem to accept this practice on a large scale.	Yes	I think this is a good idea that would suit both the Council and the driver, £550 is a very large outlay, so I would like to see that the payment be split into two equal payments of £225 over 6 months initially then the other 6 months later.	Yes	So I would presume the Airport would operate a permit system, so still the same vehicles able to service the Airport, Scotia and Bristows heliports. Unless I bought a permit I would be unable to pick up at Scotia, Bristows, would this be correct? This is of course outside the Councils remit to enforce any conditions as the Airport is classed as private.	Yes	No comments	Yes	Smart casual and definitely no trainers, track suits, bottoms etc.	Yes	None	Yes	None	Yes	The Wheelchair policy if I'm correct was introduced in 1995, there have been numerous attempts by the Council to instigate this policy, but to the annoyance of genuine drivers who have purchased WAV there are still drivers who passed their test way after 1995 still driving saloon/estate cars on "managed plates"	I have made several comments regarding WAV and the "managing of plates" The Council would have a lot more WAV if they were to rectify this problem. Too many drivers who should be WAV are evading the higher cost vehicles by "hiring a plate from another driver"
Taxi driver	No	There are bigger issues that need to be addressed	No	One person should not have more than one plate unless it's run as a business	No	You shouldn't need two tests and an MOT, why not one hackney and six months later an MOT	No	Why not concentrate on getting the airport to exempt taxis from the drop off charge so we can provide them a service	No	CCTV is something a taxi driver should have for their safety and is also beneficial for law and order if they want one	No	Only if the council provided it	No	No let the council pay it	Yes	We pay enough for very little as it is so the council should get the bill	No	I've been driving a wav for twenty five years because I was pressured into getting one yet drivers with less years service than me have never driven one, so would it not be fair after a certain amount of service to the trade you could have the option to drive saloon or WAV??	After 25 years as a taxi driver it is now not a pleasure having to come down to lillybrewster, back in the day you used to come out knowing your car was in roadworthy state and put your mind at rest, now it's a very uncomfortable situation and a lot of drivers are feeling like this
Independent taxi driver	Yes	As long as the dimensions are consistent to a good sized family car and the wheelchair accessible vehicles meet it, I'm happy with that.	No	As long as the person driving the vehicle is licensed by Aberdeen City Council, I don't see the problem with them not owning the vehicle or plate.	Yes	That seems fair as long as a renewal is sent out before the renewal is due.	No	I fear that the Airport will struggle to service their customers if they don't have a dedicated Airport fleet. We have seen that happen at the Railway Station at certain times before the pandemic hit.	Yes	I have never had CCTV in my taxi so don't really know a lot about this.	Yes	I agree with a dress code but feel a polo shirt should also be acceptable. It's important that we look smart as it gives us a more professional look.	Yes	As long as help is available so each driver knows what they need to have in advance of applying for their license.	Yes	That seems fair enough.	No	Before this policy can be looked at and implemented, we need to know proper taxi representatives from street drivers to company owners so the taxi trade has the best representatives. The current taxi rank provision is poor and a lot of drivers have felt they have not been consulted. I understand that during the pandemic, it's been a challenge as events have happened quickly and everyone is working from home, but going forward, better communication would be nice.	

	Yes	I can't picture the sizes in my head. You would have to show examples of vehicles that you had in mind before I could comment.	No	you could discourage part time drivers from covering weekend night shifts. bad idea. this could lead to extended waiting times in taxi ranks and possibly cause arguments among the public.	Yes	no	Yes	no	Yes	good	Yes	good	No	?	Yes	?	No	?	no
taxi driver	Yes	NO	Yes	NO	Yes	NO	Yes	NO	Yes	NO	No	As long as your clothing is clean and tidy I do not see what is wrong with jeans and trainers. A top with a collar should suffice.	Yes	NO	Yes	these questions seem to be suggesting that every driver will have pass a medical before you can renew your license. Is this the case?	No	No	what are you doing about taxi ranks? Will taxis be allowed access through all bus gates? Will renewed licenses be issued at any time soon? Will renewed licenses be sent by post rather than email if you do receive one?
taxi driver?	No	What are the current dimensions	Yes	Too many plates out there on cars that are not driven or owned by the license owner	Yes	If you are one or 2 years into your 3 years and for any reason you can't be a taxi driver any more do you get a refund for time paid and not used	Yes	Does this mean that airport taxis will no longer be able to work the city ranks at weekends and offshore Europe?	Yes	We should be allowed dash cams the police are always asking for dash cam footage. Along with cctv I dont see why it should be encrypted as you know everyone has smart phones and can record anything. We should be allowed to install our own cctv properly wired not only for our protection but the protection of our customers. We are no different from shops and bars I feel paying for a licence is not very fair on our trade. We deserve the same protection	Yes	I have no problem with smart dress code	No	I have very slight asthma and I feel I don't need to go for a medical every 3 years it doesn't bother me but I was honest enough when filling up my form	Yes	Disagree with having to pay for a medical I feel I don't need a medical for slight asthma	No	It's about time the Way policy was sorted because in 2023 it will be pit back again. It's not right that people can come straight into the trade and hire yellow plates or go private hire. All new drivers into the trade private or taxi should have to drive a WAV without exception for a period of time say 5,7,10 years what ever you decide. This way we will always have enough of each to go around. I can't see the point of having WAV cars driving about with exemption stickers on them. If this was a European directive I don't know but we are no longer in Europe surely Common sense should prevail. This has been going on since 1994.	We are the first people visitors to this city meet let's all work together to make Aberdeen great. I applied for my stepfather plate back in 2006 and was refused because we said we were not going into business together we tried to do the application honestly.
	Yes	no	Yes	no	Yes	no	Yes	no	Yes	no	No	shoes are very uncomfortable to drive in.	Yes	I agree	Yes	I agree	Yes	no	no
airport	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	I thought we already had a dress code. I would agree that dress standards have slipped since I started but this is surely up to licensing to do more spot checks on vehicles and drivers.	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	
taxi driver	No	No	Yes	No	No	To much money to be payed out at one time. £215 once a year is sufficient. And if a driver retires or cannot work the full three years, do they get refunded for the period the dont work	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	If council requirements are for a driver to have a medical then Aberdeen city council should pay for this.	No	If the council requires any medical reports from any driver, then Aberdeen city council should pay for it.	No	Where does the money come from to pay for these vehicles?
taxi driver	No	No	Yes	Should be no exemptions period They are the councils plates and should be paid for for each individual vehicle	No	Agree on price but have never got my head around why 2 tests a year plus 1 government required mot Surely the government one and the council one should be approx 6 months apart freeing up tests time and money to the council	Yes	Never understood why different licences in the first place the majority of the public dont care as long as they get from A to B in a licensed car with a qualified driver and as for the rest of the proposal ive had to turn away people disgusted that I cant take them because my licence (ph) doesnt permit picking up even when theres no other taxis available because of the type of vehicle i chose to drive? Ludicrous ruling Especially when I pay the same licence fees and did the same tests as taxi drivers so to speak That rule falls the public when busy	No	Hard wiring is Unnecessary and bring more unrequited and unwanted costs to the drivers who will agree are being strangled by the trade as it is and as for the rest of the proposal experienced drivers go clean over their heads as it just did mine did mine so cant really comment on the data stuff	No	Smart casual is adequate I have discussed this with many a customer and they dont really care as long as car is clean and driver has a degree of personal hygiene	No	If the condition of our health meets the required standards to drive a car same should apply to the Licensing board	No	As previous question	No	If it vehicles comply with government standards at whichever particular time this arises should suffice enough And as for wav vehicles that is unfair to people who cant get in from because of certain disabilities and/or old age who specifically ask for certain types of vehicles on request	No
taxi driver	No	No	No	Yes I agree	Yes	Make it £200 for 3 years do away with taxi tests make it 2 MOT's per year instead	Yes	No	Yes	Agree	Yes	Agree	Yes	Agree	Yes	Agree	No	Should not be date set should just happen in it's own time as all cars will eventually go green	No
	No	No	Yes	No	No	I think that one hackney test every 12 months is adequate as we also have an MOT test also. With this pandemic taxis have only received one test if they were lucky.	Yes	Good idea	Yes	Do not agree with this as most dash cams are connected by cigarette lighter and all data stored is down loadable, so do not see why these would be exempt.	Yes	I agree with the dress code, but thing the wearing of a t-shirt should be ok if it has a collar.	Yes	Agree with this proposal	Yes	No	No	No comment	would like the licences to be issued more quickly to the drivers, some of the drivers are still waiting for theirs from last year.
BRIAN ESSEMONT T/A BRICAB	Yes	no comment	Yes	there should be no exemption this proposal is to allow taxi companies a loophole the plates would be and are being rented out at £1000 cash no receipt to the plate holder currently if a taxi office rents a plate on the city they put plate holders name then the companies name this is another loophole that the council encourage with their wording eg v5 nr blah blah alpha taxis taxi company address NO EXEMPTIONS then the council will be able to push more wave with yellow plates	Yes	so what would be the initial grant cost? currently £395 includes 2 tests proposed 6 tests £550 what about the initial grant cost?	Yes	this would mean all taxis would be yellow plate airport taxis (currently green plate) not allowed on city taxi ranks they would then be able to use both?	Yes	?????? just set the standard don't know why this is consultation	Yes	THERE ARE TOO MANY NON OFFICE CARS THAT THEIR DRIVERS LOOK A BLOODY DISGRACE TO THE COUNCIL THE TAXI TRADE AND THE CITY FORCE THE STANDARD REGARDLESS OF RELIGIOUS OR ANY OTHER OBJECTIONS	Yes	the council cannot and should not ever be trying to get medical info from an applicants own doctor or providing a "service" as if helping the applicant. the applicant should get a medical from their own doctor to show they are able bodied to do the job there are some drivers that don't even get out their cars to HELP customers and there are one or two that actually use their car as support when they do get out.	Yes	the fees are what will happen I would like to put forward that there should be refresher street knowledge tests as once test is passed drivers are forgetting 60% and some drivers are asking for postcode of destination from customers. So much for knowledge test.	Yes	SET THE STANDARD REQUIRED this consultation is for drivers to complain (as we do) BUT this also allows for taxi companies to set their proposals instead of the council. and change wording to suit them.	Why doesn't the council simply rent out yellow plates to saloon cars that meet all the standards required. this will take away the unspoken right of plate holders to make money renting out those plates Also eliminate money laundering with untested undeclared income. Some plate holders are renting out their plates £1000 plus £215 test fee per annum.
taxi driver	No	I think that there is no problem with space as present	Yes	No	Yes	That's fare	Yes	No	No	No comment	Yes	That's ok	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
taxi	No	The current rules are ok	Yes	None	No	No to the three year grant and yes to the second part of Number8 incurrent time please tell where drivers are getting the money from	Yes	I think will reduce carbon footprint of driver and will allow drivers the opportunity to not travel back to there zones empty and reduces waiting time on ranks	Yes	Can't see the problem with sad cards etc.	Yes	I agree	Yes	Yes	If this is passed I feel it should be done when every driver applies for there or renewals	Yes	It's already three years	No	None
taxi driver	Yes	Yes as the rules are set and the same for every plate holder	Yes	On existing cars only and when the car is changed it must be registered to plate holder in the future	Yes	550 pounds is a lot of money for drivers to find in one go there should be a plan like 150.00 application and 1st test 80.00 2nd test 80.00 4th test 80.00 5th test 80.00 6th test 50.00 in total and drivers would not be able to work without their test paper on payment	Yes	It would allow the drivers to change from city to airport without cost and save the council a lot of paper work with drivers changing on a regular basis	Yes	As long as it meets legal requirements	Yes	looks better for people arriving in Aberdeen and gives the city a better reputation	Yes	every driver should have the medical to keep passengers safe and age should make no difference to medical	Yes	It is up to the driver which option he chooses as long as all drivers have a medical	Yes	Plate holders age should be considered because if the driver has only a few years when the date is set he would not want to put himself in a lot of debt for the required vehicle. example set a date say 5 years ahead then the driver could change his vehicle in 3 years time to the proposed vehicle and keep for 2 or more years after the date set for change and then retire The council should go back to one plate one driver except from companies plates and that way the drivers would look after their cars better instead of just driving someone's car and not worried how it looks and runs also noticed that the latest plate renewal form does not ask if the vehicle is on hire purchased or leased! this could cause problems with the new changes.	Being in the taxi trade for 37 years and seeing the rules changing over the years some of the proposed changes could bring the taxi trade back to a better standard like it was years ago The council should go back to one plate one driver except from companies plates and that way the drivers would look after their cars better instead of just driving someone's car and not worried how it looks and runs also noticed that the latest plate renewal form does not ask if the vehicle is on hire purchased or leased! this could cause problems with the new changes.
	Yes	None	Yes	Agree	Yes	agree with the change of the 3 year vehicle licence going from £395 to £550 as long as the annual renewal fee is waived completely, if not then who in their right mind would agree to passing over more money than we are in the current climate?	No	The airport taxi's pay the airport weekly for the privilege of picking up there & barriers are only in place at the main airport & not at the Heliports. The Heliports are major part of Airport working so allowing Tom, Dick & Harry to come in & take that from drivers paying for the right to be there is ludicrous.	Yes	None	Yes	I strongly agree with this. For years now I been saying that the standard of attire for many Taxi drivers is a disgrace. A taxi driver is providing a public service & as such should be presented appropriately & not look like they have just been let out on day release.	Yes	Personally I would prefer a standardized method of checking this where all drivers get the same level of check instead of obtaining proof from different sources. I understand all regulations are the same for the checks but each health official will interoperate them differently.	Yes	None	Yes	Agree with this in principle but the timescale has to be right. I plan on going greener with my taxi in the future but as present the best I could go for is Hybrid. A multi seat operator the options for this is very limited.	None
	Yes	No comments	Yes	This would be fair.	No	This would put some drivers off the road as 550 pounds in one go is a lot of money.	No	The only way this will work is to open the Airport and rail to all Drivers otherwise its unfair that Airport Drivers and Rail Drivers can pick up on ranks and town drivers are not permitted to pick up at Airport and Rail.	No	This system costs a fortune.	Yes	This would smarten up the drivers.	Yes	This would be a better system. Dont agree with group 2 standard.	No	We as a trade are being crucified, its supposed to be non profit?	No	More cost to the drivers, have you had a look at the vehicles used by some of the companies in town?	Can you supply a breakdown of the fees already paid.

Private Hire	No	Question needs to be explained more clearly!!	Yes	none	No	With the Covid 19 situation at the moment I feel asking any driver to pay £550 up front is a bit extreme! Also if after paying the £550 and after say 3yr a driver decides not to continue would he then be refunded??	Yes	More information required for this, ie does this mean abolishing Green plates and only having yellow or vice versa? Does this include the Airport, CHC, Bristow, Aberdeen rail etc??	No	Don't have one installed!	No	I agree that football attire is inappropriate as is a t-shirt but feel casual but smart is acceptable, for example a dress polo shirt with dark jeans/Trousers/dress shorts in the summer would/should be acceptable.	No	I feel if the Council need to know a driver's Personal Medical information then the Council should be prepared to pay for that information!	No	As said previously disagree with driver paying for medical information that the Council are asking for.	No	Need more information.	No
Taxi driver	Yes	Each vehicle should be able to take 1 case per passenger (eg 4 passengers 4 cases & 8 passengers 8 cases my question is how many taxis can take 8 passengers plus 8 cases in the boot safely	No	The reason I answered no to question 6 is because your suggestion for exemptions if you go down that route there should be no exemptions. I would go one step further and make it one person one plate	Yes	Vehicles at the moment has 2 tests plus a mot that could be reduced to 1, not one test with the test done when the renewal of the plate is due then 6 months later a mot	Yes	Cannot understand where the saving for the licence holder is coming from	Yes	No comment	Yes	This dress code should already be in place and is a must to put the trade in a better image	No	All drivers should have a medical every 3 years when their licence is due for renewal	Yes	No comment	No	No comment	I have been a taxi driver for over 25 years and in that time seen it come to what it is now a complete untrustworthy trade / At the moment it is £215 a year for a plate which includes 2 test You are proposing a 3 year licence +6 tests for £550 a mot at the moment is £55 x2 =£110 so admin =£105 at the moment. So 6 tests at £55 =£330 +£105 admin fee =£435 It's bad enough the company's ripping us off without the council getting in on the act
	Yes	I think the suggestions are fair	No	I think not everyone can afford a personal vehicle for taxi or private hire job.	Yes	I think it will be a good thing to have the licence for 3 years. The price seems reasonable too.	Yes	I agree, the zones are no longer relevant	Yes	I agree with the proposal, it's important to be able to install a cctv camera (of course with correct licence and specifications) regardless of specific make and model. Safety and security for drivers and customers are most important.	Yes	Totally agreed	Yes	No issues with it.	Yes	Agree	Yes	Ok	I think communication from the city council for driver it's really important and I believe if when the licence will expire or if any news will arrive to be communicated via the agreed channels (email/post etc.). Thank you for your hard work! ☺
Taxi	Yes	The dimensions, although given, are very vague and open to different levels of interpretation. For example, a minimum leg room of 700mm, in what direction is this dimension? Front to back, or side-to-side? Also, the degree of "leg-room" varies from the knee to the ankle, so this doesn't really work. My suggestion is there should be a 1-inch wooden/plastic template made from a CAD (computer aided design) drawing, giving all the details and removing any ambiguity, before/during vehicle testing. This same fabricated template could be used at the test centre to verify compliance. Most motorsport scrutineer bodies use this strategy for fast and consistent compliance checks. It is simple to adopt, and taxi drivers could craft their own at home, using basic tools, cardboard/polystyrene	Yes	The licence holder should be the owner/registered keeper of the vehicle. Assuming all licence holders can have "daily managers". The caveat the council has is a single vehicle leasing entry could easily, in theory, become the "daily manager" of all the taxi (yellow) plates in Aberdeen. Some taxi firms lease back, would this mean a taxi firm could control the taxi (yellow plate) fleet in Aberdeen, and also control the taxi ranks? It would appear the value in these taxi vehicle licences are the ability to transfer them to saloon vehicles. This resists the council's vision of a sole WAV (wheelchair access vehicle) fleet. There should be an upper ceiling, eg. 20 plates, a daily manager would be allowed to manage. This would ensure fair competition between firms, more independent drivers, and prevent a single taxi firm having	Yes	This would certainly reduce the amount of paperwork and hopefully help licensing improve service response times. I'm all for it.	Yes	The Aberdeen airport management company saw fit to raise the barrier prices, again, within days of the technicians could audit the device to ensure it is fully compliant, especially with the variety of models on the market. I do have reservations regarding this proposal. Would this mean taxis which predominantly work at the airport rank during the week, would be granted access to street hackney or ranks in the city at the evening/weekend? Seems airport drivers would have the best of both.	No	It is up to the driver to ensure compliance, and with all due respect to them, I'm not sure a test centre technician could audit the device to ensure it is fully compliant, especially with the variety of models on the market. If an approved model list was provided, licensing/police would have some guaranteed quality of recording they request, making it much easier to conclude investigations.	Yes	A pet hate of mine. All drivers should have a level of professionalism. Some personal hygiene wouldn't go a miss either.	No	Good health is important, but being a taxi driver is one of the more sedentary vocations, which is why it appears to those with underlying conditions or retirees. This policy could carry some ageist/disability undertones which I do not agree with. It is up to insurance companies to dictate how much a liability a customer is based on their health, not ACC. Fit and healthy does not correlate to being a good/safe driver	Yes	Disagree with this part of the proposals. DVLA already require drivers to inform them of medical conditions which impair their ability to drive safely. Drivers failing to do this risk £1000 penalty or prosecution. Its a drivers duty to ensure DVLA are informed. More paperwork for licensing with medicals, when they could just ask DVLA instead.	Yes	I would like to see electric and H2 vehicles eligible for taxi (yellow plate) licences within the next 5 years, regardless if they are WAV or not. Given the bulk of our taxi ranks are in the city centre, it would tie in really well having zero-emission cars working inside the planned emission reduction zones.	None
Self's Taxi	Yes	All taxi's should be wheelchair accessible then all dimensions would be met	Yes	All Taxi's should be operated by the licence holder only	Yes	If a driver pays for 3 years license should he leave the job after 1 year there should be a refund of the unused portion of the fee	No	If the Airport taxi's are allowed to work in the city it is only fair that city zoned cars are allowed to pick up at the airport also more city ranks would be needed to accommodate the extra cars working the city	Yes	I think that cctv/dash cams should be compulsory as this provides safety footage for both driver and passengers but I don't see what difference it makes whether they are wired into the car or are operated by a cigarette lighter	Yes	Agree but thought there already was a dress code	Yes	I think it is acceptable for applicants to provide their own evidence and medical report before applying for license grant or renewal but think this should only be after the age of 65	Yes	I think a £110 fee is fair if u provide your own medical evidence	No	As mentioned infrastructure eg charging points would have to be vastly improved as would the range of vehicles traveling before recharge	I think a group of drivers should be elected from the street taxi's to represent these drivers at council licensing meetings as Russell McCleod only represents Rainbow taxi's and as such will only agree to proposals that benefit his business agenda also hiring of plates should be abolished as people are coming in to the trade and hiring saloon cars when they should have way like the rest of us also the £33 fee for hackney falls should be stopped this is just a way of the council to raise more cash and fat taxi's for the pettiest of reasons
Taxi Driver	Yes		Yes	No	No	In the current climate I would say no the last year the trade has been disseminated because of the pandemic and shows no signs of easing up	No	Would it not leave the city open to unlicensed cars working in the town centre which we already have a problem with	No	Are you meaning internal cameras recording passengers then I personally would not be fitting any	Yes	Just get rid of the tracksuit and round neck t-shirt	Yes	Depending on how much lower the fee was	No	Leave as it is the trade can not afford all the increasing fees	No	Personally don't think alternative fuel vehicles have been tried and tested properly	Please give us back the rank on back ward, where we can exit up Belmont st or reinstat flour mill lane HMT is a complete waste of time for far from town centre I know it is temporary but the majority of our passengers are elderly and don't want to walk or can't walk that far
Taxi driver	Yes		Yes	Agree	Yes	Agree	No	Gives airport taxis twice as much options as city taxis working an office	Yes	Agree	Yes	Agree	No	Disagree	Yes	Disagree	No	Disagree	None
Taxi	No	I would suggest that if this is to go ahead Aberdeen City Council provide a list of suitable vehicles that can be used as a taxi	No	No	Yes	Cheaper than paying it yearly but quite a lot of money to pay out in one go. Could there be a monthly direct debit set up?	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	It is not comfortable wearing shirt/blouse, dress trousers, skirt or shoes when driving for a long period of time. Maybe black jeans, polo shirt and black trainers could be included in the dress code. I agree no tracksuits or football attire	No	Why do we have to show medical evidence?	Yes	What medical evidence is needed?	No	no	no
Urban Taxi Ride (Self Employed)	Yes	no	Yes	no	Yes	no	Yes	no	No	I do not understand the reason why dashcam powered by cigarette lighters cannot be used. Most people carry mobile phones with cameras and video and audio recording capabilities. Would you also prohibit the use of mobile phones for video recording purposes	No	I think this is discriminatory as it excludes people from variety of cultural and religious background e.g muslims dress differently	Yes	agree	Yes	yes	No	these vehicles are expensive and out reach of independent taxi drivers	no
Self	No	If that's the dimensions of a normal large saloon car OK	No	No	Yes	Leave it as yearly renewal	Yes	No	No	Individual choice	Yes	Should have been introduced years ago	No	None	Yes	To expensive	No	No	None because the council will do whatever
Street car	Yes	No	No	Name on VS is registered keeper, not necessarily the legal owner. So surely the person who drives the vehicle on a daily basis and keeps it at his home address would be the registered keeper.	No	Rather keep it yearly	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Private hire driver	Yes	No	Yes	Should not be exempt	Yes	Would there be a rebate if £550 was paid but driver had to leave before 3 years was up.	Yes	There should be no zones.	Yes	No	Yes	Would be better if there was a dress code	Yes	No	No	Seems steep	Yes	5years	No
Self employed	No	Can you imagine going to upgrade your car and having to measure and make sure it conforms I would think a list of vehicles that conform would be better.	Yes	Too many people/companies making money from so called hiring of plates to drivers this is caused by wage issues that have been lingering too long and people wanting yellow plates for saloon as wage rule is lingering on too long.	Yes	Doesn't sound too much of an issue if there is a get out clause let's say I only plan on driving for another 12 months for let's say retirement would there be a return of the remaining 24 months ??	Yes	There seems to be a divide created by old plates colours, also customers find it hard to understand differences between plate colours.	No	These hard wired machines are very expensive and this is the reason people don't want them as no help with purchase. It would be interesting to see the actual percentage of taxis that have these systems already installed. Dash cams are very popular in general cars because they are relatively cheap and are better than they have been with ones that record direct to internet etc.	Yes	Totally agree in general with dress code. Nothing more unprofessional than someone wearing trackie bottoms and a football top. With regard to company logo clothing etc. no issue as long as it wasn't compulsory as this would limit choice for drivers.	No	Would this not add to confusion if someone had an inferior check done that wasn't quite to the same standard and was then rejected by council and cause confusion/cost in objections etc	No	Currently £115 for 3 years this just says to me that cost is being moved to drivers that have any existing medical issues should it not be increase to say £150 for everyone to cover the so called shortfall as this looks like an increase if you have any medical issues or are unlucky enough to have any health issues in the future.	Yes	It's a very difficult question to answer as I would love to have an alternative vehicle now but cost of vehicle, charging point cost at home and range of vehicles are all questions that aren't easily answered no doubt it is a future but hard to put a date to it but I would reckon by the 2030 which I think is the target date for UK gov but not sure it is achievable a bit like having a crystal ball who would have envisaged corona. I have been a driver for 12 years and feel the trade and Acc licensing have went backwards in last 5 years difficult to deal with terrible to contact home renewal/reminders are very poor in contrast to past. I know corona has had an adverse effect to this but these problems were there before corona waiting months for certificates. Also complete disarray and lack of understanding at hackney tests people passing hackneys for years then changing goalposts without advising drivers stating it is available online to view.	

Taxi owner/operator	Yes	I feel that if you introduce minimum capacity and dimensions that you will have to list the vehicles that will meet these requirements as they are your proposals. Like it is always said take responsibility for what you want done. Asking the drivers to do this without specific instructions as where in the vehicle these measurements will be taken from/to is wrong. When the driver measures from and the examiner measures from could be totally different in results. So please if you do this provide detailed instructions for where to measure from/to or supply a list of vehicles that meet your requirements. Too often we are told things after the fact.	Yes	can agree to the exemption of leased or on hire purchase, am not sure how you word it or do it.	Yes	agree a test certificate is needed but have concerns that due to circumstances like Covid 19 where due to no on site fault tests have been restricted, things like this would have to be included in the wording to make sure people are not penalised through any fault caused by delays etc. As to the fees I feel these are fair and necessary.	Yes	No comment, with this had been done from the start.	No	I can understand these requirements and fully accept them for CCTV inside the vehicle but feel just for dashcams are very restrictive. Dashcams help the driver with what happens externally to the vehicle and not internally. These can help the police and other law enforcement agencies. They do not infringe on the privacy of the passengers in any way. Permanently wired for CCTV, yes agree. Dashcams I do not see the need for permanent wiring. When you read/hear about what insurance fraudsters are up to these days, restricting what dashcams can be fitted helps them not the person just trying to do their job.	Yes	You will need to expand on this as in winter jumpers and jackets will be worn due to weather conditions and even summer jackets for the summer as can still be cool. I do not see a problem with jeans as most places now allow them as part of the dress code.	Yes	Yes, this is something we should have done before.	Yes	Would this be required for every renewal or just when you reach 65? Feel every 3 years if under 65 is too much, can agree for 65 and over and if any known medical conditions for under 65. As long as the questions are on the application/renewal form and the penalties clearly stated for false information, then should be for first application and then at 65 and over every 3 years.	Yes	No idea when but will have to look at cost of most of these vehicles and could be a massive impact on size of fleet in Aberdeen. Also have to consider when will there be enough charging points in the city for EV's. At the moment and the foreseeable future am not sure what the plans are for the city regarding these. I have always felt that as long as the vehicle is kept up to our cities high standard that age is not a problem for an already licensed vehicle.	Yes	We need to have more communication between licensing and drivers as more often than not these days we are finding new rules and requirements out after the fact. This incurs unnecessary expense to both parties. At the moment if we feel aggrieved for any problem we have there is no channel to go down and air or discuss these problems. We need to have a third party we can go to if we have any problems where things can be discussed and resolved amicably.
Taxi Driver	Yes	Hopefully this will mean the removal of saloon cars being used as licensed taxis in Aberdeen	Yes	Strictly no exemptions	Yes	Rip Off Britain at its best	Yes	Get rid of the Airport Management System, let city taxis pick up from the terminal building	Yes	Ok with that	No	If you want a driver to have nice clothes or a uniform on, then hire a limo	No	Fine with that	Yes	Fine with that	No	I am sick to death of having driven a WAW vehicle for over 20 years & seen hundreds of new drivers managing to carry out their taxi business in a saloon car (as far as in concerned, the council should award me around £100k in compensation, for putting me through this two tiered system).	DO NOT LET ANY DRIVER WHO DOES NOT OWN THEIR OWN SALOON PLATE LICENSE. DRIVE A SALOON VEHICLE AS THEIR TAXI. I'VE HAD TO ENDURE WATCHING THIS BULLSHIT GO ON FOR OVER 20 YEARS. IT HAS MADE ME ANGRY & UNWELL. THE A.C. TAXI COMMITTEE SHOULD HANG THEIR HEADS IN SHAME OVER THIS ONGOING SCANDAL.	
Taxi driver	No	Every car id different and if you go eco friendly like hybrid or in future electric you will lose space in boot due to batteries	Yes	It should be the plate holder who drives the car and not making money renting the plate as to which drivers plates who have retired or even dead and making money. I think the rate is around 30 to 40 pounds a week. If your not going to work in the trade you should not be making money out of it. make them put the plates back	Yes	Fee would be ok but if you had to retire or give up half way through you should be entitled to a part refund	No	If the airport management gives every driver the opportunity to use the airport rank and not discriminate against them due to their marital not liking some drivers. as at the moment the marshals call rainbow taxis and com cabs before putting on the green light	No	If a driver wishes to remove his camera at night he should due to not encouraging people to break into your car and steal it	Yes	This is a yes and no answer if you are dressed in clean clothes and not offensive name's or brands should be ok. we already have a dress code but some drivers won't stick to it. in daytime a code of dress would be ok. but later at night a dress down as just customers just want to get home. J.s must be clean clothes	Yes	Just have to take council medical	Yes	Yes as long as everyone has to take a medical. Not signalling only drivers who write the truth on there application form. as stated before you have drivers in there 80s who have retired or cannot pass a medical but able to rent out there plates	No	I think you are way ahead of your time here I would suggest hybrid before hydrogen or electric	Yes	Yes on taking a Hackney test for example Bulbs can go at anytime. or a fuse blows the driver in the reception he should be notified an given the chance to change a bulb or a fuse as we all carry spares. not look for a quick £35 and wait for another appointment. trying to embarrass a driver for a bulb going on test day and putting a sticker on his plate only pisses off the driver. as a mot station does not charge a retail fee for these why should the council. getting your car Hackney is more stressful than getting a brain surgery
Airport taxis	No	Leave as it is	No	Leave as it is	No	Yes cheaper is better but why not one m.u.s. and one hackney a year	Yes	Yes greater flexibility is better for everyone	Yes	Totally o t t conditions. kept two a minimum up to drivers discretion	Yes	Casual and smart and weather aware and not looking like a rough sleeper	Yes	If it gives us the option to save on overheads good	Yes	Great idea less overheads less miles less pollution more time at home with wife a well can't have everything	No	I think we have a long way to go before we can switch to electric or whatever as an old sparky the thought of wiring up the whole city. The drivers not taking passengers on their journeys because they are still charging? I live city centre would need an electrical extension miles long and if you switch on the heating you will not reach mastrick	I have been taxing since the 1970's and I have to say it has testing or changed since those early days some for the better and some for the worse. like not being able to pee against the back wheel of your taxi is good but having to retest for minor faults is disappointing	
Taxi driver	Yes	None	Yes	None	No	If this goes ahead then if a holder dies gives up or other will they get there fee back? The possibility of forgetting the renewal date after 3 years is far greater than 1 is very high and would cause more complications than now however I think that 2 years would be more realistic.	No	Who says zones are not necessary? Taxi company owners? The roads around the Airport are controlled by them not just at the forerout. They are there own roads authority. So for the purpose of Airport security policing of taxis that are security checked and allowed to pick up around the airport. The airport a green plate makes it easier for them to control. Also night time more so Saturday the high possibility cars not servicing the customers at the Airport is higher than now giving a very bad impression of Aberdeen overall. As for admin then the plate holder pays that when they change there zones over. I am a city licence owner and have been at the airport	Yes	None	Had a strict dress code 20 years ago at the airport and it was always remarked on being smart so yes	Yes	None	Yes	Don't agree on all electric as Aberdeen is a rural city and the possibility of someone going out of town is high and if its cold weather then the battery would be low with keeping the heating on.	None	None			
Taxi driver	No	Absolute nonsense.	Yes	Agree	No	Do not agree to 3 year fee on licence. The cost involved is too high and would not probably be refundable should the taxi drivers circumstances change. ie medical conditions, death.	No	Not enough taxi ranks for additional taxis working in the city. Again forcing drivers to be through companies ie Rainbow.	No	Ridiculous. Again another money making idea from enforcement. The costs we the drivers pay are high enough and for very little support	Yes	I agree that all drivers should be smart. But not dictated to by licensing. Taking away our freedom and rights.	No	More costs to drivers. By law 70 is the age for eye test for driving. if you require medicals on drivers then the cost belongs to you.	No	Unless the law changes and enforced by the UK government then no.	If this is the caliber of survey and consultation. It is very poor.			
Aberdeen airport	Yes	what ever if the customer is taken to his or hers destination safely.	Yes	when a taxi driver owns and pays for his or her vehicle...most like the taxi vehicle is in better shape.	No	no	Yes	let airport taxis be airport taxis. No more prebook city taxis. I do not take prebook hires in town...why oil companies are allowed to use city taxi? There are huge international oil companies who rather book Aberdeen city taxis or even private hire from London. Why should I respect this dye based company when my services or professionalism keeping good hygiene standards is valued almost zero.	No	ok	Yes	Smart dress. No jeans or sneakers. No unshaven beard. Professional attire and the driver can enjoy the benefits of advertising companies that he or she feels worth while to advertise.	No	I rather have people trust me then I give access to my medical records.	No	I do not have comments.	no	It will take decades to use alternative fuels then fossil fuels. This is the least concern of the council. What about bankruptcies, suicides, health issues getting back the economy and taxi industry in Aberdeen?	no	
Taxi Owner Driver	Yes	I would say these dimensions are acceptable	Yes	I think that this would be difficult to implement as a big proportion of the taxis are on finance	No	The reason I disagree is because the older drivers who require a medical could be faced paying for 3 years for the vehicle license and after 1 year unfortunately they fail a medical they would have to test the fee that they have paid	Yes	This is a good proposal and I hope it includes the Aberdeen Railway Station as this is a controlled zone by permit only	Yes	Will the council be providing a list of the said devices	Yes	This again is a very good proposal how would it be adhere to	Yes	This is a proposal that should have been adhered to when the taxi medical came into force. I myself sometimes have two medicals. both DVLA Group 2 in one year. If the council are going down this route the DVLA Group 2 requirement is a medical every year after the age of 65 not every three years	Yes	This seems to be quite fair	Yes	No comment	I have often thought how we could provide a more professional taxi service in Aberdeen. One of the ideas I thought of was having cameras monitoring the taxi ranks that the drivers could see where the customers were waiting it would also be a safety feature for the public. The Drivers who work at Aberdeen Airport & Aberdeen Railway Station already have the apps to check on the arrivals	
Taxi Drivers	No	I don't agree with new proposals even though I'm driving PEUGEOT partner. We have 7.8 seats, wheelchair cars, saloon cars, executive saloons. People can choose whatever car they wanted when they phoned up from taxi company or choose from Town rank or Airport rank. Very few people rise the concern from public in Airport about boot capacity. It's no point to put extra burden for taxi drivers.	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	It's a great move. Airport drivers can work in town like railway drivers. That will make some relief for them. But when it's comes to helpport city drivers will have the freedom to pick.	Yes	It's seem more complicated	No	Totally opposing, no need	Yes	No, comment-agree	No	No, comment	No			
Taxi driver	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Every Aberdeen taxi driver should have cctv in vehicle for safety	No	As long as your clean and tidy.	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No		
Self employed	Yes	I agree with dimensions	No	Owner of car does not have to be license holder	No	The vehicle should only be tested 3 year as we have a MOT as well so no need for a 3 rd test in a calendar year	Yes	I agree	Yes	I agree but it should be open to the market and not subjugated to council restrictions	Yes	Long overdue in my opinion some drivers dress like hobos it gives of bad impression of our city	Yes	It's an extra cost that we should not pay	Yes	No that medical test should be met by council	No	This can only be achieved if manufacturers have vehicles in the market that are affordable by price that driver can afford them we can go alternative fuels like we are only good to pay for retest after red test when it is incorporated into our fees		

Taxi Driver (sole trader)	Yes	No	Yes	Vehicles are currently leased to drivers. This shouldn't be allowed. Saloon car Hackney plates are being rented out. This shouldn't be permitted. A fleet of 100% wheelchair access vehicles in Aberdeen city would help. Shouldn't be a 2 tier system	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Why don't the council fit all CCTV systems to taxis? Charge included in licence fees. Then council will always have something to refer back to in the event of a complaint. 100% compliance. No exceptions	No	Smart shorts should be allowed April - September	Yes	No	No	No	All taxis should be wheelchair accessible ASAP. This two tier policy is encouraging saloon plate holders to rent out their plates for up to £2000/year and this is just WRONG		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	We should be allowed CCTV in our vehicle it protects the driver and the passenger	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	All taxis should be w/w except private hire		
Self employed Taxi Driver	Yes	My car currently driving is plenty of room.	Yes	No	Yes	Little bit expensive	Yes	Need a proper be pick up and drop up point in Helport Area under the Airport Zone	Yes	No	No	Just like any other kind of dress and proper shoe no jeans or trainer allowed	Yes	It's good	Yes	Ok	Yes	No		
Self Employed Taxi Driver	No	Each car has different specs so you could be tied to certain vehicles if you change vehicles	No	Should be same terms for us all taxi drivers as bigger companies who are tied to a set figure where someone individuals change less which is a savings for the individual	Yes	It's a lot of output in one go if agreed	No	No	No	If you had CCTV in your taxi it should be optional for drivers to have it was hard wired off cigarette lighter	Yes	No	No	No	I think the standard that is set d v i a group 2 should you have to wear glasses permanently	Yes	You would need to show us the medical form before I would agree	No	No	It think there should be a meeting with taxi groups top tables so that it can be brought to the drivers for voting rights to be passed
Taxi Driver	Yes	Surely the easiest way is to just clearly state which makes and models of cars are approved so every driver knows they are buying an approved car. Legroom in the rear could depend on height of the driver. I personally know 2 drivers with the same car. It is a foot taller than the other so for me the car is perfectly suitable for the shorter person but I don't think it is suitable for the taller person because of the lack of legroom it leaves behind the driver.	Yes	Own car, own plate. Hire a car than the plate belongs to the person who are hiring the car out. I don't believe to be right that someone can just rent a plate out.	Yes	That seems fair, saving the driver money always a good thing. Possibly organise a monthly direct debit option.	Yes	I do think that private hire vehicles should be allowed to pick up from the airport if green light is on. Doesn't give a good impression on arrival if folk are having to wait in excess of 30 mins for a green or yellow plate when a few red plates are available immediately.	Yes	Just clearly state which dash cams are best for us to use	Yes	I work through Rainbow City Taxis, we have always had a dress code of dress trousers and shoes but we can wear t-shirts as long as its got a collar instead of a shirt	Yes	I would be more than happy to do either, possibly get the NHS involved so every driver is getting the same level of medical	Yes	Happy with either option	No	Always been a bone of contention with me how you can put a w/w on the road that could be 3 years old with 150k on it but can't put a very well looked after 6 year old Mercedes saloon on a ph plate that may only have 50k miles on it		
Taxi	Yes	Like you say get it min size	No	Leave it the way it is	Yes	6 tests a £55 per test equals £330	No	Kept the airport zoned separately as too many taxis and PHV in city centre	No	Do other public sector vehicles have the same policy regarding dash cams	Yes	Smartly dress No tracksuit bottoms	No	You set up driver medical requirements and everybody should get to same doctor	Yes	Why extra £120 as private medical doesn't cost that much	No	Will council or Scottish government help with cost of these vehicles		
ACC	No	Not sure if the relevance of this?	Yes	What would this achieve? Older, less environmentally friendly vehicles on the road?	Yes	Seems more than reasonable given the costs to general public	Yes	Why should the airport have a monopoly on taxis?	Yes	No comment	No	Why on earth would this be a requirement for a taxi driver? Utter nonsense.	Yes	Good idea so long as the drivers/companies pass savings onto customers	Yes	No comment	No	This seems to me like it would reduce the amount of hire vehicles available to the public. The sheer cost of ordering and using taxis in Aberdeen is shocking! I understand all taxi drivers have to make a living so therefore I believe the issues are with how much the companies charge individual drivers to push calls through to them - CRACKE THE!!! Introduces licenses that are ONLY for peak and prominent busy times- historically weekends (PRE COVID) Introduce a basic standard rate for distanced travelled/zones of city and shire. Fair and transparent pricing!		
The Black Car Company	No	We don't want wheelchairs (wheel chair accessible) as a owner of a company that provides w/w and executive cars we have older clients who cannot get into a WAW due to the elevated seat heights and request an executive car instead. A mixed fleet would be a far better option	Yes	Agree that leasing and HP is a far more beneficial way of funding a fleet and allows the fleet to be younger	Yes	Fair pricing	Yes	Airport taxis should be abolished in general. The public don't see the benefits in the service and as such regular fliers pre book vehicles from out of town companies anyway as the fares are more favourable.	Yes	No issue	Yes	Great idea and hopefully will put some of the retarded screwball taxi drivers in their place.	No	None	Yes	None	Yes	You don't need WAWs there is not enough wheelchair users to penalise everyone including other passengers by forcing them to be in a noisy cold converted Van! It's a disgrace and the comments visitors to the city make when they book are please don't send me one of those vans they are horrible		
sole trader	Yes	In order to have wheelchair access, most cars have to be lowered to allow for the use of a ramp, this has a knock on effect to access to most cars with people of all ages, and ability having difficulty accessing the car, were space is a premium. A lot of people appear to get disorientated some even end up facing the back of the car that has front facing seats not mentioning sliding doors and the issues with them. If it is a requirement to stand up and manoeuvre in a taxi, the usual car models, will not meet requirements, but how do we usually get into a car? Two sit in and manoeuvre into the seat, it is easier using all doors that are available! I describe the most common wheelchair access cars in use at the moment that appeared to be the most cost effective way to operate a taxi with the specifications that were governed, I do not know if saloon cars have the same issues? as most of the wheelchair access	Yes	There are obvious issues for lease cars from a company but if that car is used by a licensed taxi driver who leases a vehicle, then a clause as part of the lease agreement could be adapted to allow temporary ownership of the vehicle and that vehicles had key fob, lease plate, to the lease driver for use purposes only (legal user), which doesn't compromise the lease agreement or true owner/legal owner of the vehicle as far as monetary ownership goes. This could be adapted for higher purchase agreements also. It should also be stipulated that the clause should only be used for lease or higher purchase reasons only by companies who deal with this way of issuing vehicles but not a sole trader single owner of taxi and its licenses other than for personal usage (if on higher purchase at no point should it be used by any other driver for use as a taxi)	No	If we look at issue eight, if a car has a missing number plate bulb (spent) then for minor imperfections that can be rectified then the vehicle or the driver should be allowed to adjust the problem (when in use bulbs can be ok then not noticeable not working) but only for minor reasons, if the vehicle has major damage that is dangerous to the public as MOT fail then yes, it should not be used until any repairs are done and passed the MOT. I feel it is unfair and self-destructing to prevent someone earning a living on a minor technicality which will cost no more than £155.00 at a later date adding to the time not allowed to work. If a car has an annual MOT as taxis do (even brand new) it is difficult to accept the extra cost with little reasoning. Yes, they should be more presentable but more understanding would go along way. (Issue nine, I can't see the reasoning.	Yes	is this not discrimination against the right to work as a licensed taxi driver? If the airport requires taxis should they not abide with the regulations set by the local council area in the licensing of its taxi fleet? Any extra charges should not be applied to one and not the other if running a licensed taxi in that council area, that is approved to ply its trade as a service provider as it is an abuse of power to prevent certain hackney licenses but not them all, it is an unfair monopoly? the taxi rank according to airport taxi drivers extends beyond the airport terminal to some heliport terminals? and like the rail, you feel like a bee in a hornet's nest in a lack of service providers, as the police will also prosecute any illegal parking or waiting, but it is a service to drop a passenger at Victoria street (Dyce) as there are no permissible stopping places from Argyle Road the A96 or anywhere else on that side of the	No	what is the purpose of the CCTV/dashcam? who is providing the units, installing and maintaining them? If the data is stored on a hard drive, and used every time the taxi is used? If I am presuming it can be switched off if the car is used for personal use (It will require enormous data storage) who will control the data? and how often will it have to be changed? will it be at certain times of the normal working day/week? If the system is used correctly I am all for it, working with the public is becoming more and more demanding on personal health and safety. It could put drivers at more risk, eg if someone has committed a crime and does not want to be seen on CCTV, but in normal circumstances, if set up with the best intentions, I think it should be of benefit to all, and stop most violent and anti-social behaviour, be it physical or	Yes	I don't have a problem with the dress code it makes sense, as long as sensible and comfortable clothes can be used, polo shirt, for example, could be a choice as long as it is plain and does not have any of the prohibited or offensive logos dark or plain cargo trousers are practical for storage, but not camouflage and comfortable footwear that should afford some protection if chosen (has anybody ever dropped a suitcase on your corms) eg boots, or plain training shoe of one colour (no obvious advertising) it is not always easy to drive in dress shoes, I agree that it would be difficult to have exceptions but as per normal neutral colours and styles can be of reasonable dress appearance but the common sense rule is too easy exploited as if the line has to be drawn I will go with it	Yes	If the evidence is provided by a competent and independent registered medical officer possibly through private health insurance then applicants should not be made to go through the process twice, but if requested then the council GHS should be an option there can sometimes be a conflict of interest for and against so discrepancy and discretion should be upmost	Yes	If there is no change in a persons health, then should there be a medical check for everybody and how often? or should the checks be at certain milestones or if a change in circumstances has occurred, which should be legally declared at the time of diagnosis or starting a new job? If there is an issue that concerns a persons ability to do a job it should be flagged up and unavoidable as in the case of road tax etc but like convictions if totally cured of the problem it should be removed from the record except in exceptional circumstances that are deemed incurable such as epilepsy but this should not create a bias but should be investigated further but not on every scenario I understand where the health checks are coming from, I am not sure if the extra charges are fair or where the figures come from, it is more than double the current licence fee which is quite severe if	Yes	having looked at fully electric taxi cabs by LEVC it came at a cost of around £57,000 I would think this is over and above a reasonable cost to buy a car to use as a taxi, although there are government incentives and other discounts to be looked into if found. If you are willing to sponsor me I would be a willing guinea pig!!! I think these cabs would tick all the boxes at the start of the survey? so having bought a wheelchair access car, at more expensive than a standard model of the same make in 2011, when I began taxing as I was told it would be compulsory. My colleagues have managed to avoid the issue and I develop the policy (I would all like to drive Mercedes, BMW, Audi, even Jaguar and Land Rover) but we have to be practical and realistic, I don't think they give a good impression of the taxi trade using executive cars as hackney hire	No	not at the moment thank you
Rainbow City Taxis	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No		
None	Yes	No comments	Yes	No comments	Yes	No comments	Yes	No comments	Yes	No comments	Yes	No comments	No	No	Yes	As previously stated.	Yes	No comment	No comments	
Private	Yes	Reasonable	Yes	There should be no exemption	Yes	If the 3 year licence is implemented will fares be reduced pro-rata ?	Yes	Zones should be abolished allowing for competition.	Yes	Agree with recommendation.	Yes	Dress code a fantastic idea.	Yes	No comment	Yes	Agree with proposal	Yes	Depends on the timescale but needs to be implemented.	No further comments.	
none	No	no	No	reasonable	Yes	Too high	Yes	good proposal	Yes	no	No	unnecessary	Yes	no	no	no	No	do not interfere here	no	
Taxi driver	Yes	No	No	Many drivers hire vehicles as can't get finance	No	Paying £550 might be too much if drivers have had a bad month etc, also some drivers especially older drivers might want to retire in year 2, 3 years might work if monthly payments where allowed	Yes	Only problem may be on busy nights in town and cars are not willing to travel out to the airport	No	Don't use or have one	No	Current policy is sufficient, currently wear jeans polo t shirt trainers an never had any issues as seen some drivers looking scruffy with trousers on	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Think policies on other fuel type vehicles is tricky especially for drivers using further a field, an doing 12 hour shifts, would need charging stations on taxi ranks or taxi offices	
none	Yes	Will this not require bigger cars etc. If say cars on average carry one or two people why need extra room. I usually travel light so makes no difference to me what size of car, boot capacity etc it is (within common sense) Obviously a larger group would/could ask for or use a size of vehicle in regards to the particular needs at the time.	Yes	No comment	Yes	Seem to be a good idea	Yes	Anything that cuts out unnecessary spending, paperwork, man hours and red tape cannot be a bad idea.	Yes	Think the guidance on the specification guidance rules on this would have to be looked at/updated as the technologies advance/improve over time.	Yes	Good idea. Nothing looks worse than a slovenly appearance.	Yes	No comment	Yes	No comment	No	There is nothing wrong with the use of modern fossil fuelled vehicles that meet or exceed the required/current EURO standard of emission. All cars these days should have Start/stop technology Older models of car to be phased out is a more realistic way of thinking.	No.	As a frequent user of Aberdeen (Airport) taxis, my comments are from the user/customer side.
	Yes	dimensions seem adequate	Yes	It should be plate I driver there should be no exemptions	No	I think the fees are okay as they are	No	airport taxis shouldn't be allowed to work in the city	Yes	why is it necessary to hard wire CCTV	Yes	all in favour of dress code some drivers go about like tramps	Yes	I would be quite willing to pay for my own medical	Yes	I don't have a problem with above proposal	No	completely against above idea as some of these vehicles are very expensive	not at this time	

Rainbow City Taxis	Yes	I'm not really sure about the lengths and litres, etc. But without that, in my opinion, it should work like this: Yellow: ONLY WAV's, Nothing else! Green: ONLY WAV's, Nothing else! Red: Estates, Minibuses, Saloons, WAV's, Gold. Special vehicles that don't fit into the above categories. I.e. limos or tax-tubs.	Yes	If a driver is hiring out a licensed vehicle, or is buying one over HP, then it's understandable that the driver of that licensed vehicle is exempt from being registered as the owner.	Yes	I agree.	Yes	I agree with this proposal of removing the green plate. If anything, make it a permit type thing. Like they do at Union Square Railway Station (ABD).	Yes	I agree.	No	I agree.	No	I should be one fee/price for all.	Yes	£230 for all.	No	Drivers/companies shouldn't be forced to dispose of perfectly good vehicles, to introduce alternative fuelled vehicles. No should current licensed vehicles, be forced to be modified to run alternative fuel. Let it happen naturally. Come time, new licensed vehicles, will be alternative fuelled.	All taxis, wether yellow or green plate, should be WAV's, (wheelchair accessible vehicle) It's ridiculous that a person in a wheelchair has to wait at a time rank in all weathers, when the rank is full of non WAV vehicles. A taxi should be an accessible vehicle, for all. Non-WAV's should be private hire ONLY!
Taxi	Yes	I don't agree with the boot capacity as the majority of time you get luggage in your taxi it can be fitted in. But if you get four passengers with a large case and a hold all each that would put your taxi overweight	Yes	I think drivers with leased vehicle and hire purchase vehicles will have 2/3/4 year agreements would be ok	No	This is a large sum of money for drivers to shell out and in the current climate this would be a bit over the top to ask for a three year licence	No	I think that the drivers that are zoned at airports should only be allowed to pick up at airport zones and not work city zones at weekends	No	I think councils have final say and the drivers are having to put more and more expensive models of cctv when some of the cheaper units do the same	Yes	I do agree to a certain extent no training shoes or track suit but some jeans are dress now, and some polo/shirt shirts are good as long as it's they are not football shirts	No	It should be a one tier system for everybody	No	It should be a one tier system for everyone	No	No comment	No comments
	No	Council with make it even more difficult	Yes	Will stop people profiting from hiring plates and cars	No	Drivers are struggling to pay yearly at the moment and if they did pay for three years and leave the profession due to retirement for example would they receive a refund	No	The current zone works and finding space on a city rank is very difficult due to ranks being closed-Covid and oil and gas down turn. I don't work through an office and this would make things more difficult if airport cars used the city ranks too	Yes	As a woman I would like it fit cctv but with all the speculations the council want I feel it is out of my reach and if I did fit what's stopping the council making specifications again	Yes	I think trainers could still be allowed as they are dark in colour as they are comfortable and safe to drive in. No jeans or any clothing with sports logo plain coloured tops	No	The council require the medical and my Union said they should pay for this expense	Yes	Driver should not be paying for a medical	No	I know some drivers that have tried these vehicles and have had problems with the battery as they do a lot of short distances- also yet again you are creating a two tier system as these vehicles are expensive	It would have been good to see any proposals to support drivers through these difficult times
	No	Think it would be easier if council gave drivers a list of approved vehicles. What about new vehicles if a wheelchair passenger is travelling there is known luggage space	Yes	It would help to stop hiring plates and cars	Yes	Only if it's optional as due to the current Covid situation not all drivers can afford this	No	We are in a very difficult time with Covid and oil and gas turn down. Also we have lost ranks in the city centre- if airport taxis are able to pick up in city it will be very detrimental all other taxi drivers	Yes	Council making it difficult and expensive to fit	Yes	Yes - but this is also an expense to drivers	No	If council require taxi drivers to have a medical they should be paying	Yes	Don't agree council should be paying and arranging medical	No	Electric vehicles at present don't work well as taxis. Also it puts drivers at unfair advantage as these vehicles are more expensive	Think this is the wrong time to address these issues as we are in the middle of pandemic and the taxi trade are experiencing extreme difficulties. Also many drivers are of older generation and don't do internet technology
	Yes	The bigger the better	Yes	A person working in a taxi should own the vehicle and the plate should be in their name.	Yes	Should be £395 + £430 if its for 3 years	Yes	Abolish Airport zone.	Yes	CCTV is used to reduce crime etc. As long as it records incidents, that is all that matters. Why should a driver pay for a top of the range model when one for £30 can keep the peace or be used in Court for evidence.	No	The current dress code is acceptable. Maybe Council workmen could start wearing shirts, dress trousers and shoes.	No	Why should drivers pay?	Yes	Does this mean that it costs £120 for the medical at that place in Foresterhall?	No	No	There needs to be at least 50% of taxis being saloon cars. There are far too much private hire vehicles in Aberdeen.
Used to manage Cabbes the merged and set up concab before retiring	Yes	This will make it easier for all cars to be the same.	Yes	The leasing from offices are far to expensive. They then have to pay in car computer at a cost	Yes	Included in the 6 month check the cleanliness of the car should be checked. If not... off road until it has been cleaned.	Yes	It would work if there was a ticket system like the rail. But open to all even private hire. That way the airport won't loose revenue that the council. Don't think the taxi drivers should be able to keep these recordings.	Yes	Would it be possible, when the council is doing there 6 month test can it not be clear in the car but kept to be destroyed by the council. Don't think the taxi drivers should be able to keep these recordings.	Yes	I made this mandatory for drivers who worked for us, so absolutely, I also developed a training course called the Top Taxi. I put a lot of work into this with input from disability awareness, first aid, tourism and customer service. The DfLQ certificate that was given to approximately 150 drivers. When I went off with ill health at the time I handed it to the council to proceed with it. I was very disappointed to hear they weren't successful in getting drivers to attend any courses. When I call to see what I could do to help I was told as I was no longer working in the trade I couldn't. I found that extremely disappointing as I was the one who started it. John Reynolds will remember this as he supported it all they wish it. This course made the drivers feel like they were included in providing a service that Aberdeen would be proud of. This was so well received that it was in all the press as for as	Yes	Absolutely! As drivers always make excuses not to take wheel chairs because of health issues or carry cases out of the boot. If they can do the whole job which this includes the shoulder be driving.	Yes	If they are found to have a condition there license be suspended until they are fit. Sore back can't lift new a they are not fit to sit in a car all day safely or manage disabled or luggage.	Yes	To change out of a there cars is expensive. There should be a incentive. There is talk of renewing the road tax system. Why don't taxi drivers who go to electric if they don't pay road tax even if it change.	I would be more then happy to meet if there is anything also you require. Top Taxi my be able proceed again. Or some sort of basic training as the city, they are often the first & last contact a visitor has with city and can leave a lasting impression in it. My tel number is 07875626286. Kind regards Sandra geddes
	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Rosemount & Mile End Community Council	Yes	They are acceptable	Yes	It is acceptable	Yes	It is acceptable	Yes	It makes sense and will reduce confusion	Yes	It makes sense - These systems are very important in taxis because they protect both the driver and the passenger	Yes	It makes sense. What is being suggested is perfectly reasonable - bus drivers have a dress code	Yes	It is acceptable	Yes	Both the policy and the proposed fees are reasonable	Yes	The policy is reasonable. It is essential that timescale does not place an unreasonable financial burden on the owner. Suitable infrastructure must be available. Suitable vehicles must be available at a reasonable cost.	No
Self employed taxi driver	Yes	My car is a bmw 5 series and is just within these dimensions.	Yes	That's how it used to be and it worked fine, now the plate holder doesn't know what car their plate is on or who is driving it. If you have a plate you should work it or hand it back	Yes	Some licence holders might find that to expensive and rent their plate out	No	That would mean airport drivers could work the town but city drivers can't work the airport, don't think that's fair.	Yes	Totally agree	No	Totally disagree, I've been a taxi driver for 36 years and never had a complaint about my appearance	Yes	No comment	Yes	No comment	No	This is the future, however electric vehicles are far to expensive just now	Once the COVID situation is over the town centre needs to be opened again because that's where people are looking for taxis, sending them down side streets just isn't safe at night time
None	No	What type of car are they basing this on? You'll limit the choices for operators and drivers, this is as bad as a previous council brainwave to have all taxis painted yellow	No	Some drivers look after their cars which they've had under HP or finance and will run them 2-3 years after the final finance payment, you'll take this away by having yet again another idiotic idea	No	Cars can and do last longer than 3 years and in fact most finance packages are 4+ years, this will make it harder to finance a taxi, and especially as we are in the middle of a pandemic most drivers will need a good 2-3 years to get back into the financial position they were in pre-Covid, my current vehicle for example is a 2015 vehicle and still has plenty life left, stop making it harder for us to earn a living! And as for the proposal to increase the fee to £500, about for 3 year's test, just leave it as is, anyway, what about the profits you've made on us owners/drivers, Linie has been trying to trace where that money has gone but for a non-profit making arm of ACC you've managed to plough the surplus in bailing out fleet services this is not right at all	No	How will it make savings to the licence holders when your previous questions are about increasing licensing costs and wanting drivers to change vehicles in a 3 year cycle	No	Yet more cost to the driver, some drivers use their vehicle as ignition would be an invasion of privacy	No	Try driving a vehicle for a long shift, this is 2021 for gods sake trainers are comfortable for driving, I can understand track suits not being suitable but jeans are hard wearing and comfortable, give the driver a break for heavens sake	No	More cost to the driver, isn't this why we pay our license fee or can you justify charging £35 pa for a sheet of A4 paper	Yes	Yet more cost to the driver, last time I renewed it was £105 per 3 years including medical	No	A fossil fuelled vehicle only takes a few minutes to fuel up, if a driver gets a hire going distance he can easily fill up with minimal disruption, recharging an EV however is very time consuming and could mean that driver misses out on a good hire	Start looking at it from the driver's side you make things harder and harder for us with all these idiotic ideas that you think are "workable" but are far from it.
Self employed taxi driver	No	every customer has different needs	Yes	It will do away with the hiring of cars & plates & is a good thing	Yes	means taxi driver saving money & simplifies things	No	It would mean airport cars can work in the city but city cars wouldn't have access to the airport or the heliports. If separate zones no longer considered necessary open up the whole city & airport to every taxi with one plate colour the main beneficiaries would be the travelling public & obviates the taxi trade red plates would be omitted as they should only be doing office hires	Yes	The item above what a heap of rubbish go into any car accessories shop & you can find & buy a state of the art dashcam system accepted by most insurance companies	Yes	best idea so far drivers male & female should look smart & clean	No	are you nuts nowadays I can get any thing on the internet without seeing a medical professional who will say I'm the best medical specimen since sliced bread look what's already happening on the covid vaccine front I can get a covid vaccine cert for £10 without having a job come on wise up please	Yes	o come on this is ano brainer open to so much abuse for example I have 2 mas bars here 1 at £110 or 1 at £20 I know which one a blind man would choose	No	alternative fuelled vehicles they don't know what it is going to be in the fu other dont waste your time effort & money what is the set date nobody has a clue forget it	what a complete waste of time & money hire the music hall invite all taxi drivers to get their point of view for example the removal of the major taxi ranks in the center of the city no consultation there open up the whole city including the airport wall & city to all to the benefit of our bread & butter the public
Rainbow Cars Limited / Rainbow City Taxis	Yes	Provided those vehicles that are currently operating, can come to end of life. Drivers should not be forced to change their vehicle early because of these changes.	No	I am confused as to what this "change" hopes to achieve? Provided the vehicle is roadworthy, insured & within ACC criteria, that is all legislation requires. Any condition applied, needs to be reasonable & justified, I would like to see what the objective is. Legislation already requires the licence holder to be on the VS. As far as I can see the exemption will allow most to become exempt.	Yes	Agreed	No	Airport Zone should remain as is. Aberdeen International Airport require a designated fleet, one that cannot choose where it can get it operates. Will cause untold issue for AIA in future. Due to the current climate it would be unfair to change this now and allow Airport Taxis to operate in town. Not sure how there would be cost savings? Again be interested to hear logic	Yes	No	Yes	No	There should be no charge for those who require a medical and choose to use Occupational Health Service	Yes	Don't agree drivers should need to pay anything above the normal Licensing fee.	Yes	This will require extensive consultation with Taxi Trade.	None	

Self-employed Taxi Driver (Private Hire Plate) through Rainbow City Taxis	Yes	Most modern vehicles will automatically meet these requirements.	Yes	agree with the exemption.	No	ES50 is too much to ask a driver to fork out in one go. This will deter drivers as when they are due to pay the ES50 (and this will obviously rise) at the same time they will have other outlays. If a driver has put money aside for this, their income then if they have an unexpected invoice / repairs then they will use the money put aside as this is human nature. As we have modern vehicles why do we need a test every 6 months. This was surely written many years ago when cars were not so reliable.	Yes	Airport Taxis working specifically at the Airport seems to work on the whole.	Yes	The only point I would make is that it should not be a mandatory requirement to have CCTV. This is introducing more expense to the drivers and the perception (rightly or wrongly) is that enough money is already paid out to the council. If costs continue to be added then you will lose more taxi drivers as they will see it as a job simply not financially viable and sustainable.	Yes	I work through Rainbow and adhere to their dress code which I agree with. I would not go down the route of collar and tie as this may be uncomfortable for some drivers (females exempt). I feel it is correct to have some minimum standards required. If you have not been to Aberdeen before and your taxi driver has jeans and trainers on, then this may be off putting for the passenger even though the driver may be first class and very polite.	Yes	No issues with what is being proposed.	Yes	No issues	No	ACC needs to sort out the roads and road access first before setting any new rules. It is the ACC current policy on certain roads that causes most of the build up of Nox. If you close off roads then it is obvious that there will be a build up on the peripheral roads, which become a car park and then you are producing more Nox for the passing pedestrians. The latest changes down at the beach from where traffic now has to use Links Road (outside Aids etc) is a badly thought out idea in regards to polluting vehicles. What needs to be addressed is the amount of delivery vans that are all diesel and are all over Aberdeen. ACC should address these and then move onto taxis. Current Taxis / PH are away ahead of the white vans environmentally.	It is my view that ACC has got itself into a hole with TAXI and TAXI Administration through no fault of its own and is a result of continuous budget cuts. Why do Taxis need to have 2 tests when it is a legal requirement to keep your vehicle road worthy. One test per annum would be sufficient thus reducing administration immensely and benefit both ACC and the driver. Why does the taxi have to go to the centre to get tested? Couldn't there be a set test, requirement and external garages can carry out the test and upload the documents onto a ACC Taxi - Portal. It wouldn't be much more than the normal MOT and I am sure the garages would welcome the work. This would free up the test centre and reduce admin considerably. Taxi-ing in Aberdeen seems to be stuck in the dark ages where it is operating the same way it operated decades ago and has not moved forward in	
	Yes	Airport taxis should have larger capacities for luggage.	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Airport taxis are a monopoly which should be removed.	Yes	Who is responsible for checking compliance of the encryption? A minimum level of encryption should be defined.	Yes	It might be uncomfortable to wear a suit all day whilst driving.	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No comment	No comment	
	Yes	Seems reasonable	No	Don't have sufficient information to form an opinion. My NO response to Q.6 should be 'don't know'.	Yes	ACC to ensure that the fee fully covers all costs to ACC.	Yes	Seems sensible	Yes	Specification should include storage capacity appropriate for retaining several (?) days' duration of use	No	no comment - don't care	Yes	seems reasonable	Yes	Should fully cover ACC costs	Yes	As noted above, time scale will need to be infrastructure dependent	None	
	No	It is not always necessary to have minimum for passengers who travel on their own or without luggage. Smaller cars would likely produce less pollution for smaller one/two person on journeys than larger saloon cars	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Dress code is a good idea but expecting drivers to dress in the suggested way does not seem practical I agree that prohibition from wearing trackuits (tops or bottoms) and football type attire.	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Too expensive! Taxis in Aberdeen are already astronomically high in comparison to other cities. I hope if this proposal does go through that the increase is NOT reflected in customers price charged. We need Uber in Aberdeen!	Yes	Good idea!	Yes	Good idea	Yes	I agree as some taxi drivers are very scruffy and smell!	Yes	No	Yes	As long as passenger does not have increase in fares due to extra cost	No	No	No	Get Uber to Aberdeen!
Individual	No	Don't see why needed as long as car is safe and some are accessible in the fleet.	No	All vehicles should be checked and policy should apply to all.	Yes	No	Yes	Good positive change.	Yes	No	No	No. Why? How would 'appearance' be monitored anyway?	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	
Taxi Driver	Yes	Sounds fair	Yes	Most taxis are on hire purchase so policy will be impossible to implement. The leasing of plates is the main issue, just make sure whoever the car is signed to the plate (license matches too many drivers different from person driving the car)	No	Wrong time to implement this. Once trading conditions have improved I have no issue with the change.	No	Again the wrong time to implement this due to trading conditions. An influx of airport cars into the city would really slow down any recovery. The argument will be the airport cars will have their cake and eat it if this goes forward. Remember airport drivers made the conscious decision to trade there and leave the city behind.	Yes	Making it easier for drivers to have security systems is a good step forward.	Yes	Think a polo shirt and trousers would be sufficient. Smart is the word to use. Some drivers can't wear dress shoes so black footwear would be more appropriate. Certainly no shirt and tie.	Yes	As long as the evidence provided is precise and is scrutinised properly.	Yes	Seems fair.	No	The Council need to get the 50/50 saloon/wheelchair accessible policy in order first. Once the plan is in place we can look at full concerns at a later date. We will be told down the line by government when these practices need to be in place so nothing gained by ACC by setting our own dates. This has not worked well for us in the past hence we had the lift based wheelchair policy which has taken years to fix.	personally would like to see more visible enforcement by ACC. By that I mean out and about checking taxis on the unit at any time day and night. Far too many drivers still breaking rules with very little to no chance of being caught. Every driver should know who the enforcement team are and know them by name. Drivers have spoken to would happily pay increased fees if they could see this happen. Enforcement is not a Monday to Friday 9-5 role, it is 24/7 as in normal times that's what the trade is.	
Cowardly Creatures	Yes	No comment	Yes	Vehicles should be owned outright not on tick.	Yes	It should be as high as possible to deter chances.	Yes	Yes. Free for all is always the best way.	No	Taxi drivers should not be in control of recordings. Some of the worst offenders are taxi drivers, especially speeding. They shouldn't be able to edit out their own offences.	Yes	About time too. Far too many overweight cabbies wearing baggy jeans that look like skinny jeans, not to mention the hairy arse on show. Please allow kilts, or make them mandatory.	No	Should be Council only. Likely that some would make use of brown envelopes!	No	Green vehicles all the way. And the should be green in colour too, like NYC and the yellow cab.	Yes	Drivers should have regular spot drug tests. Drivers should have no access to GPS, they should know where they are going. Drivers should be extremely fluent in English, many are patchy, especially the doric ones.		
Private Individual	Yes	No mention of wheelchair accessibility.	Yes	Disagree - no exemptions. The motor industry is moving to a lease/rental model.	Yes	Every other business is seeing their operating costs (rates) increasing. Suggest ES00 for 3 years	Yes	Current situation is ridiculous.	Yes	Why only recommended specs for storage devices?	Yes	Not sure about the "trainers" and jeans exclusion - that's a bit 1980s. Agree 100% no football tops or trackuits, also suggest no alcohol, tobacco or gambling brands.	No	Why are applicants allowed to use another provider, the vehicles must all be checked by the council.	Yes	Far too low.	Yes	Given the fact that we're still waiting for ACC to implement a policy for 100% accessible vehicles it's unlikely to be implemented.	Are all the vehicles going to be wheelchair accessible?	
	No	Taxi services should be required to provide a percentage (say 50% or 75%) of their vehicles which meet these requirements. Insisting on all vehicles in a fleet meeting new requirements will mean that either the requirements will never be passed and implemented, or ACC will have to buy new cars for every taxi driver in the North East.	No	That's a gigantic loophole. Drivers will lease their own cars to themselves rather than comply with new legislation.	Yes	That seems cheap, when the council is supposed to be promoting public transport.	Yes	Abolishing the airport zone is fine, provided that the airport continues to be adequately served by taxis. At least until it's connected to a convenient rail system to the city...	No	Vehicles must also advise passengers prior to entering that they're being recorded (e.g. stickers), and systems with a non-functioning CCTV system must not be used as private hire vehicles.	Yes	Dress codes are archaic and discriminatory. If the driver has a valid license and photographic ID displayed, that's plenty.	Yes	That's fine, so long as the 3rd-party medical professional is licensed and accredited.	Yes	Seems cheap again. A round trip from the city centre to the airport can cost ES0 by taxi, depending on traffic.	Yes	You're already suggesting drivers will need to buy new vehicles to meet the accessibility requirements, just go all the way and insist on EVs by mid 2023, and use the time to build the charging infrastructure across the city and shire.	N/a	
	Yes	No	Yes	No comments	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Why?	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	
Police Service	Yes	No comment to add	Yes	No comment to add	Yes	No comment to add	Yes	No	Yes	Any such system must be compliant with the relevant legislation and the local authority should assist licence holders by providing summarised, comprehensible extracts of same.	Yes	No comment to add	Yes	No comment to add	Yes	No comment to add	Yes	No comment to add	The Licensing Committee may wish to consider a policy that licence holders should have enhanced vulnerability awareness, which could be achieved by the local authority, upon grant, providing material compiled jointly with Police Scotland.	
	No	Why? Is there a current problem? No. Petty bureaucracy.	Yes	Agree	Yes	A reduction in overall cost is good, as long as it is reflected in fares and not profits.	Yes	Agree	Yes	No retention time for data mentioned. There should be a minimum length of time the data must be kept and made available to authorities if required, also maximum period data may be kept.	No	It is not up to the council to dictate a uniform for a self-employed business person. Abuse of power.	Yes	Registration of approved medical providers or cross check on authenticity must be in place	Yes	No comment	Yes	Must be properly resourced, timescale must be for infrastructure to be in place first before timescale for vehicle changes. Council projects likely overrun so taxi drivers must not be having to buy alternative power vehicles only to find they can't use them as infrastructure not ready due to council incompetence.	No	
ABERDEEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT	No	n/a	No	no	Yes	No	No	SAFETY AND SECURITY •Our main concern is the policy change will compromise our high levels of the specific safety and security measures. Our risk-based management system, known as SEMS, outlines measures to have all known suppliers accessing the inner forecourt including the taxi fleet. It is key for the airport to retain the dedicated fleet on this basis. •Although the airport would still be able to control those who access the inner forecourt (main airport terminal taxi rank) via the ANPR system in place, we would not be able to physically control the access at the heliports which our Heliport stakeholders may also wish to object to. •In addition to controlling access, each airport driver signs up to airport specific Terms and Conditions - in addition to those that are part of obtaining a local taxi license. This includes the Airport's	No	n/a	Yes	This is already in place with some companies.	Yes	no comments	Yes	no comment	Yes	There will need to be a clear roadmap and is there funding going to be made available for this?	None	

Nestrans	Yes	Having a minimum standard will allow some sort of standardisation and security to taxi users in regard to luggage, shopping and space. It will also provide guidance on the type of vehicle that is suitable when making decisions on purchasing a new taxi.	No	In regard to Q6. No. An individual or group of licence holders should be able to apply for a licence for a taxi owned by one of them or a wider business. Q7. Exempting leased or hire purchase vehicles from the Policy requiring the owner to be the licence holder may enable potential drivers to become licensed or may allow a wider range of type of vehicle they can purchase due to cost. For example, electric vehicles are more expensive up front cost than petrol or diesel vehicles.	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No comments	Yes	No comments	Yes	No comments	Yes	No comments	Yes	Rather than stating "alternative fuel", the requirement should be that taxis will be required to meet a minimum of Euro 6 (diesel) emission standard or equivalent within one year of the introduction of any Low Emission Zone within the City, and that this standard be gradually tightened over time. This would enable lower emission-fueled vehicles such as hybrid, electric or hydrogen, moving towards zero emission and zero carbon progressively, within a time scale which is aspirational but gives clear future requirements to operators and licence holders, to enable business plans to accommodate that change.	No comments
Member of public	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	There should be prohibition on anything that could be deemed offensive. Taxisuits, trainers etc should be allowed	Yes	No	Yes	E100/E200	No	No	Abolish any requirements for local area knowledge tests. With sat-nav readily accessible in most cases, it is no longer a requirement.
Chairman RASC/RCT Association Aberdeen Branch	Yes	Sounds good	Yes	Only if vehicles are from recognised leasing companies, therefore ensuring good maintenance	Yes	This seems fair as it looks like a reduction but guaranteeing 6 monthly testing	Yes	Sounds sensible	Yes	All good	Yes	South a lot better than what is happening now	Yes	Some doctors charge quite high rates for medical certification as discovered in my time as an HGV driver, perhaps the Council system may cost less for the driver	Yes	A fee of £230 with assessment sounds a bit high, therefore it would be less of an expense to self identify certification through their own doctors	Yes	The best fuel in my opinion would be hydrogen, but at this time cost would probably make it unviable. So I would suggest hybrids as there is a serious lack of electrical charging points in the City plus charging times would mean cars being off the road to long for charging so as too reduced availability and possible driver earnings.	Taxi ranks are all fine, but private hire vehicles are now parking all over the City, mostly in no parking areas for short times and moving on before getting fined, wardens see them but ignore them. They park in residential areas on double yellow lines and in hospital areas patient parking places, surely they should be getting issued with parking fines, the main offenders are Rainbow City Taxis since they left their airport.