LICENSING COMMITTEE INFORMATION SHEET 25 JANUARY 2023

Marc Anderson T603

INFORMATION NOTE

Mr Anderson is seeking an exemption to the Committee Policy that states that any new grant application for a taxi licence or any vehicle being licensed on a taxi licence first granted after 1994 must have a WAV as the licenced vehicle.

The Committee has before it an email from Mr Anderson indicating the grounds under which he is seeking the exemption. Mr Anderson is currently the licence holder of taxi licence T603.

Mr Anderson states that he cannot purchase a new WAV and has been trying for 2 years.

Members may care to note that in the last 2 years 8 WAV vehicles have been licensed when new, which would be in line with the average of new WAVs licensed at any other time.

There are also new WAVs currently for sale via the most common taxi vehicle seller (2 makes/models widely used currently in the fleet) and another which has a 3 month delivery time, and another well known WAV seller has 15 new WAVs currently for sale starting at £28475 which is approx. £8000 less than a new Mercedes E220 saloon which is currently the most common saloon in the fleet or £4000 less than the second most common vehicle in the fleet the Toyota Corolla estate.

In addition, any manufacturer warranty remaining on a vehicle will transfer to the new owner if the vehicle is sold (for instance a vehicle sold as new with a 3 year warranty that is then sold after 1 year will have 2 years remaining on the warranty- this 2 year warranty will transfer to the new owner).

Should the Committee be minded to grant the exemption Mr Anderson is aware that he will be required to submit a substitution application for Taxi Licence T603

COMMITTEE GUIDELINES/POLICY

Licensing Committee policy states that any new grant application for a Taxi Licence or any vehicle being licensed on a licence first granted after 1994 must be for a WAV vehicle.