

Subject: Private Hire Regulations Review

Report to: Transport Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 10 November 2015

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report provides background information to the Transport Committee in relation to its meeting with invited guests on TfL's Private Hire Regulations Review.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **That the Committee notes the report, puts questions on the Private Hire Regulations Review to the invited guests and notes the discussion.**
- 2.2 **That the Committee delegates authority to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree a response to the Transport for London consultation on the Private Hire Regulations Review.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The Committee published a report on London's taxi and private hire services, *Future Proof*, in December 2014, setting out recommendations for the Mayor and Transport for London (TfL) on how to improve services for passengers.¹

4. Issues for Consideration

- 4.1 On 30 September 2015, Transport for London launched a consultation on proposals for amending private hire regulation, arising out of the Private Hire Regulations Review.² Alongside the consultation, TfL published a provisional strategy for London's taxi and private hire services, fulfilling one of the key recommendations of the Committee's 2014 report.³ It is recommended that Members agree to delegate authority to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead members,

¹ The report is available to download at: <https://www.london.gov.uk/mayor-assembly/london-assembly/publications/future-proof-taxi-and-private-hire-services-in-london>

² TfL's consultation document is available here: <https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/tph/private-hire-proposals>

³ The strategy is available here: <https://tfl.gov.uk/cdn/static/cms/documents/taxi-and-private-hire-strategy2.pdf>

to respond to the consultation on behalf of the Committee.

4.2 The following guests have been invited to the meeting to discuss the Private Hire Regulations Review with the Committee:

- Garrett Emmerson, Chief Operating Officer, Surface Transport, TfL; and
- Peter Blake, Director of Service Operations, Surface Transport, TfL.

5. Legal Implications

5.1 The Committee has the power to do what is recommended in this report.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no direct financial implications to the GLA arising from this report.

List of appendices to this report:

None

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
List of Background Papers: None
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