

## London Taxi Company meeting with GLA

8 September 2016, City Hall

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### London Taxi Company (LTC)

Chris Gubbey, CEO

David Ollier, Head of Corporate Communications

### GLA / TfL

Val Shawcross, Deputy Mayor for Transport

Helen Chapman, Head of Taxi & Private Hire

Oliver Lord, GLA Air Quality team

Erica Walker, GLA Transport team

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1. Chris provided an overview of LTC's current operation and investment to date:
  - Over 70 years experience as a world leading provider of purpose built taxis
  - Strong relationship with the London taxi trade
  - Focussed on developing flagship 'zero emission capable' (ZEC) taxi [REDACTED]
  - GBP £300m investment with 1,000 new jobs and 500 in supply chain
  - Brand new production facility in Antsy Park (Coventry) [REDACTED]
2. Chris presented an in depth discussion on the development of the new TX5, which will meet the new ZEC requirements set by TfL. [REDACTED]  
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3. Discussion followed regarding the affordability of the new vehicles. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LTC are keen for TfL to take into account vehicle performance when defining the eligibility criteria for its £3k ZEC taxi grant. **Action:** Val asked Oliver to discuss with colleagues at TfL and make sure it is taken into account as part of discussions with OLEV.
4. David stressed that drivers need confidence in and access to a reliable, growing network of vehicle charge points in London. LTC estimate that 42% of London drivers do not have access to off-street parking. Val provided reassurance that TfL is undergoing a comprehensive procurement exercise to install a first phase of 180 rapid points by end of 2018, with many dedicated to the trade. A new delivery model to support charge points in residential areas is also being developed as part of the £13m 'Go Ultra Low City Scheme' programme. All agreed that more engagement needs to be had with borough representatives to stress the importance of charging facilities and timescales for the delivery of these vehicles. **Post meeting note:** Val has agreed to attend LTC's borough engagement event and will be speaking at London Council's TEC in October.
5. David is concerned about promoting LPG as an option to drivers. Oliver reiterated the Mayor's firm commitment to ZEC taxis and that we should explore LPG in this context.
6. All agreed we need to consider how to 'skill up' taxi maintenance garages in London.