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11 March 2026

## LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB-COMMITTEE

A meeting of the **Licensing and Regulatory Sub-Committee** will be held on **Thursday, 19th March, 2026** in the **Council Chamber, Forde House, Brunel Road, Newton Abbot, TQ12 4XX** at **10.00 am**

PHIL SHEARS  
Managing Director

### **Membership:**

Councillors Atkins, Dawson and Hayes (Chair)

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## **A G E N D A**

### **Part I**

#### **Licensing and Regulatory Committee Terms of Reference**

The Committee's Terms of Reference is attached for reference.

#### **Public participation and attending meetings**

Information pertaining to public participation rules and attending Council and Committee meetings can be found on the following webpage: [Public participation and attending meetings - Teignbridge District Council](#)

### 1. **Apologies**

2. **Declarations of Interest (if any)**

Information pertaining to the Members' Code of Conduct and guidance relating to declaring interests can be found on the following webpage:

<https://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/district-councillors/councillor-conduct/>

3. **Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 - Exclusion of Press and Public**

Should the Committee wish to exclude the press and public during consideration of the items on this agenda, the following resolution should be passed:-

RECOMMENDED that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the particular item(s) on the grounds that it involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

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| 4. <b>Minutes</b>  | (Pages 5 - 12)    |
| To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 and 28 January 2026.             |                   |
| 5. <b>Request for a small plate for a Private Hire Vehicle - LM04 WOW</b>                  | (Pages 13 - 24)   |
| 6. <b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Extension for further 12 months FJ63 ZSZ</b>    | (Pages 25 - 44)   |
| 7. <b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Extension for further 12 months FM14 LZX</b>    | (Pages 45 - 60)   |
| 8. <b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Extension for further 12 months- W13 CAB</b>    | (Pages 61 - 86)   |
| 9. <b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence - WD15 YFP</b>                          | (Pages 87 - 104)  |
| 10. <b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Extension for further 12 months - YS64 YFR</b> | (Pages 105 - 122) |
| 11. <b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence - ML20 MZP</b>                         | (Pages 123 - 138) |

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### **3.8 Licensing & Regulatory Committee**

**3.8.1 Membership:** The committee has 11 members who are elected councillors who are appointed at the Annual Meeting of Full Council. Only non-Executive Members are eligible. The committee is politically balanced. The Chair or the Vice-Chair of the Committee will, if in attendance at a sub-committee (comprising up to 3 members of the Committee) dealing with licensing applications and / or appeals, chair the sub-committee; otherwise the sub-committee will appoint a chair for the meeting. Up to three substitute members may be appointed by each political group (see paragraph 3.13 for requirements).

**3.8.2 Areas of Work:** Within its specific terms of reference below, the committee may appoint sub-committees to deal with its business and wherever possible these will be politically representative, the chair of such being appointed by the sub-committee.

**3.8.3** The committee's responsibilities comprise:

- (a) All statutory licensing functions of the Council;
- (b) To hear and determine on behalf of the Council (via its sub-committee), any application or appeal within the committee's terms of reference; and
- (b) To consider and recommend to Council on all matters concerning licensing policy and procedure.

**3.8.4** In undertaking its work:

- (a) The proceedings of the committee and any sub-committee shall be conducted with regards to its relevant statutory licensing functions in accordance with the applicable legislation; and
- (b) There is no automatic right for a Teignbridge Councillor to address sub-committee hearings. Councillors wishing to do so must follow the due process for making relevant representations set out in relevant legislation (e.g. Licensing Act 2003).

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**LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB-COMMITTEE****FRIDAY, 23 JANUARY 2026**Present:

Councillors Bradford and Peart

Apologies:

Councillors Foden

Officers in Attendance:

Legal Services

**251. APOLOGIES**

Apologies received from Cllr Foden.

The remaining members noted that a substitute for the meeting was unavailable, and the Sub-Committee would not be quorate. As such no decisions could be made on the applications put before the Sub-Committee.

**RESOLVED:** To adjourn the meeting. The Sub-Committee unanimously agreed they had no option but to adjourn the meeting to a later date which would be agreed as soon as possible and communicated to all interested parties.

Cllr Peart  
Chair

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## **LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB-COMMITTEE**

**WEDNESDAY, 28 JANUARY 2026**

Present:

Councillors Gearon, Hayes (Chair) and Peart

Officers in Attendance:

Solicitor

Legal Assistant

**251. APOLOGIES**

None.

**252. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)**

None.

**253. MINUTES**

It was proposed by Cllr Peart and Seconded by Cllr Gearon and:

RESOLVED: Unanimously that the Minutes of the meetings held on 20 November 2025 and 18 December 2025 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**254. REQUEST FOR NEW PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE CHRYSLER 300C - LM04  
WOW**

The Sub-Committee noted the information provided by way of the report. In particular the Sub-Committee noted that the vehicle's MOT certificate expires in April 2026, with no advisories. The vehicle had also passed its annual taxi inspection test in January 2026. The Applicant was unable to be in attendance and did not send a representative.

The Sub-Committee commented that the vehicle appeared to be kept in a good and sound condition and noted that although the age of the vehicle was now above the Council's policy it is a specialist vehicle and as such should be considered on an individual basis.

The Sub-Committee noted the low mileage and were satisfied that the vehicle appeared to be in an extremely good and sound condition and that public safety would not be compromised by the granting of the licence sought.

**Decision**

Accordingly, the Sub-Committee granted the new Private Hire Vehicle Licence as detailed in the report with the condition that the vehicle undergoes a six-month vehicle test to monitor the condition of the vehicle due to its age and to comply with the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy.

**255. REQUEST FOR PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE EXTENSION FOR FURTHER 12 MONTHS - CHRYSLER 300C**

The Sub-Committee noted the information provided by way of the report. In particular the Sub-Committee noted that the vehicle's MOT certificate expires in January 2027, with no advisories. The vehicle had also passed its annual taxi inspection test in January 2026. The Applicant was unable to be in attendance and did not send a representative.

The Sub-Committee commented that the vehicle appeared to be kept in a good and sound condition and noted that although the age of the vehicle was above the Council's policy it is a specialist vehicle and as such should be considered on an individual basis.

The Sub-Committee were satisfied that the vehicle appeared to be in an extremely good and sound condition and that public safety would not be compromised by the granting of the licence sought.

**Decision**

Accordingly, the Sub-Committee granted the Private Hire Vehicle Licence extension as detailed in the report with the condition that the vehicle undergoes a six-month vehicle test to monitor the condition of the vehicle due to its age and to comply with the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy.

**256. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985 - EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was Proposed by Cllr Peart and Seconded by Cllr Gearon that the meeting move into Part II for the consideration of the next two agenda items.

RESOLVED: unanimously that the meeting move into Part II to consider the final agenda items.

**257. APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Sub-Committee gave consideration to a report presented by the Licensing Officer (previously circulated) in which determination was sought in respect of an application for a new Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence.

The Applicant attended the meeting in person and did not bring a representative and he answered questions put to him by the Sub-Committee.

Arising from consideration of the report, evidence presented and in accordance with the Council's procedure for hearings, it was moved by Councillor Hayes and seconded by Councillor Peart, and

**RESOLVED** that the application for a new Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence be refused under Section 51 (1)(a) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, so as to promote public safety. The Sub-Committee felt that the conduct of the Applicant as set out in the Report, supported its view that they are not a fit and proper person to hold such a Licence.

**Reasons for the decision:**

Members noted the information set out in the report and read out by the Licensing Officer who highlighted that the Sub-Committee and the Licensing Authority have a duty towards the public in ensuring licensed drivers are fit and proper. This is considered under the balance of probabilities test and if there is any doubt as to the Applicant's fitness to be a taxi driver then a licence should not be given.

The Licensing Officer continued and explained that a licence has been applied for in March 2025 and the driver was interviewed in July 2025 as is the practice for all new applicants. The interview contained general questions about the application, and it soon became apparent that the Applicant was struggling with the English language and only providing 'yes' and 'no' answers. The Applicant was also given a section of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Taxi policy to read. When asked questions on this the Applicant was unable to answer, and only very broken and unclear responses were received. Eventually the Applicant understood and answered 'no' in response to whether he could continue to work with broken footwear.

The Licensing Officer continued and confirmed that the recommendation to the Sub-Committee is to refuse the licence request as it is felt the Applicant's current language skills do not meet the standard required to be considered a 'fit and proper person' and it is considered that the inability to communicate properly poses a risk to public safety.

The Sub-Committee then heard from the Applicant, who explained the reasons he believed his language skills had not previously improved. When he was interviewed in March 2025, he did not expect the level or number of questions that he was asked. The Applicant expressed again that his language skills were bad at the time, but he feels he has improved since this interview as have his writing skills. He has a family he wants to support and feels he can do this by becoming a taxi driver. The Applicant stated he was happy to be given a shorter licence to prove he can do the job.

In response to further questions the Applicant passed around information that showed he has enrolled onto an English language course which is due to finish in July 2026. He then read out some wording from the Wolverhampton knowledge test practice sheet, although it was noted that he appeared to still have difficulties with fluency and the Sub-Committee had difficulty in understanding him.

The members further questioned if the Applicant intended to complete all levels of the English language course he has enrolled on or just the current level. The Applicant appeared to not fully understand the question and was unable to answer, even when the question was rephrased for him several times.

The Sub-Committee thanked the Applicant for appearing before them but felt that all factors combined meant that they did not consider he was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

The Sub-Committee noted that although the Applicant has started an English language course, it is apparent he still appears to significantly struggle with English and comprehension at this time. There were concerns that he would be unable to understand the taxi policy and the requirements of being a taxi driver, one of which is the ability to be able to communicate effectively.

The Sub-Committee also felt that should he be granted a licence there was a serious concern he would be unable to communicate effectively with passengers which posed a risk to public safety and also to himself. Taxi drivers are held to a higher standard and may face challenging circumstances that need to be dealt with appropriately. There were concerns from the Sub-Committee about how the Applicant may react to difficult situations due to his lack of English language skills.

The Sub-Committee noted that there was nothing stopping the Applicant from applying for a licence again in the future once his English had improved and commended him for enrolling on the course to improve his skills.

Applying the test of whether Members of the Sub-Committee would be happy for a person they cared about or a vulnerable person to travel alone in a vehicle with the Applicant, it was concluded after significant deliberation that they would not. The Sub-Committee noted its overriding duty to the public, and of the importance of public safety and considered that, on balance, there was cause to show that the Applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a Licence at this time.

The Sub-Committee therefore considered given the circumstances of this case that it be reasonable and proportionate to refuse the application for a new Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence.

## **258. APPLICATION FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE**

The Sub-Committee gave consideration to a report presented by the Licensing Officer (previously circulated) in which determination was sought in respect of an application for a new combined Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Driver's Licence.

The Applicant attended the meeting in person and did not bring a representative and he answered questions put to him by the Sub-Committee.

Arising from consideration of the report, evidence presented and in accordance with the Council's procedure for hearings, it was moved by Councillor Hayes and seconded by Councillor Peart, and

**RESOLVED** that the application for a new combined Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence be granted under Section 51 (1)(a) and Section 59 (1)(a) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. The Sub-Committee felt that the conduct of the Applicant as set out in the Report and during the meeting, supported its view that they are a fit and proper person to hold such a Licence.

**Reasons for the decision:**

Members noted the information set out in the report and read out by the Licensing Officer who highlighted that the Sub-Committee and the Licensing Authority have a duty towards the public in ensuring licensed drivers are fit and proper. This is considered under the balance of probabilities test and if there is any doubt as to the Applicant's fitness to be a taxi driver then a licence should not be given.

The Licensing Officer continued and set out that a licence has been applied for in November 2025 and the Applicant had disclosed the 9 points on his licence in the application. The Applicant was interviewed in January 2026 and correctly answered all questions asked by the Licensing Officers. The Applicant has passed a Taxi Driver assessment on 4 December 2025 with a fault for speed.

The Licensing Officer continued and confirmed that the recommendation to the Sub-Committee is to grant the licence request but with additional conditions on the licence as a safeguarding measure due to the points already received. Examples of suggested conditions were included within the report.

The Sub-Committee then heard from the Applicant who expressed remorse for the number of points on his licence. He then explained that these all occurred within a short time frame and during a time when his mental health was suffering. These issues have now improved. These were honest mistakes, and he is still paying for it now.

The Applicant explained he had been driving for many years and first obtained his licence when he was in the army. Since leaving he has been driving HGVs for a living but has recently stopped as he wants a career change. He has chosen to drive taxis and he has a job offer waiting should the licence be granted.

The Sub-Committee thanked the Applicant for appearing before them and noted that he appeared remorseful. When taking into account all factors combined the committee considered that the Applicant was a fit and proper person to hold a licence but felt that due to the current number of points for speeding some additional conditions on the taxi driver's licence were necessary.

Members noted that the Applicant had been driving for many years without incident but had appeared to have a short period of time where things had gone wrong. The Sub-Committee felt that granting the licence for one year instead of the three requested would give the Applicant a reasonable period to show he is able to drive safely and, should there be no further incidents, he will be able to apply for a three-year licence when it comes to renewing.

The Sub-Committee also felt that an accredited speed awareness / driver improvement course should be undertaken within the first three months of the licence and proof provided to the Licensing Officers of passing this. The Sub-Committee also wanted to reserve the right for the Licensing Officers to request that the Applicant undergoes a refresher driving assessment course within the first 6 months of the licence if they feel it is necessary. The Sub-Committee further wanted to highlight and make the Applicant aware of the need for future compliance with road traffic laws and licensing conditions and the seriousness of not complying with could result in consequences such as having the driver's licence reviewed if there are any concerns raised.

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Applying the test of whether Members of the Sub-Committee would be happy for a person they cared about or a vulnerable person to travel alone in a vehicle with the Applicant, it was concluded after significant deliberation that they would be but with the additional conditions. The Sub-Committee noted its overriding duty to the public, and of the importance of public safety and considered that, on balance, there was no cause to show that the Applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a Licence at this time.

The Sub-Committee therefore considered given the circumstances of this case that it be reasonable and proportionate to grant the application for a new combined Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence but with the additional conditions as stated above.

Cllr Hayes  
Chair

## TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

### LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE

#### PART I

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Request for a small plate for a Private Hire Vehicle</b>
<b>Purpose</b>	To consider approval for a small plate for: Chrysler 300c LM04 WOW RED/SILVER P845
<b>Applicant</b>	Mr Kevin Lynn
<b>Options</b>	The Committee may: a. Grant the request, with or without conditions; or b. Refuse the request.
<b>Report Author</b>	Vicky Limb licensing@teignbridge.gov.uk
<b>Appendices / Background Papers</b>	A: Request for small plate B: Sample plate C: Photographs

#### 1. RELEVANT POLICY AND LAW

Section 48 (6)(a) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that

*'Subject to the provisions of this Part of this Act, no person shall use or permit to be used in a controlled district as a private hire vehicle in respect of which a licence has been granted under this section unless the plate or disc issued in accordance with subsection (5) of this section is exhibited on the vehicle in such manner as the district council shall prescribe by condition attached to the grant of the licence.'*

The Council's requirement for the display of licence plates on the rear of licensed vehicles is set out in the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy, at paragraph 9.4 on page 27.

##### *'9.4 Licence Plates*

*The licensing plate identifying the vehicle as Hackney Carriage or Private Hire shall be securely fixed to the outside rear of the vehicle in a position as approved by the Council whilst the vehicle is being used for hire purposes and shall be kept fully visible and legible at all times.*

*A vehicle identification badge shall be fixed to the front windscreen in a position that meets current MOT regulations. The badge will display the plate number,*

*vehicle model, registration and number of passengers on the front face with the Council's details and plate number on the rear.'*

Small plates have previously been granted for specialist vehicles when the main use has been for weddings and special occasions. The removal of a plate from a licensed vehicle is not permitted at any time.

## **2. APPLICATION DETAILS**

- 2.1 The applicant has requested replacement of the traditional size plate with the smaller plate (Appendix B).

## **3. MAIN IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The main implication is that the plate is a visual aid for the members of the public to show that it is a licensed vehicle. The standard size plate is 240mm x 180mm and the smaller plate requested is 230mm x 75mm.

## **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

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THE MOST EXOTIC LIMOUSINE RENTAL  
COMPANY V.I.P / WEDDINGS / BIRTHDAYS /  
PROMS / SPECIAL OCCASIONS

For The Committee

03/02/2026

We would like to ask the committee to consider a small private hire plate for our Chrysler 300c limousine registration LM04 WOW.

This vehicle will be for private hire use only.

YOURS FAITHFULLY

KEVIN LYNN (DIRECTOR)

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**Teignbridge**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL  
South Devon

# PRIVATE HIRE

**VEHICLE DESCRIPTION:**

**REGISTRATION NO:**

**EXPIRY DATE:**

**LICENSED TO CARRY:**

Printed: 21 FEB 2020 M4 SILVER

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# TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE

### PART I

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Extension for further 12 months</b> Toyota Avensis FJ63 ZSZ Grey H415
<b>Purpose</b>	For the Committee to consider the request, including this report, representations made by the proprietor of the vehicle and to determine whether the vehicle is fit for purpose and should be issued with an extended licensing plate.
<b>Applicant</b>	Mr Dragos Paul Dudau
<b>Options</b>	The Committee may: a. Grant the request, with or without conditions; or b. Refuse the request.
<b>Report Author</b>	Vicky Limb licensing@teignbridge.gov.uk
<b>Appendices / Background Papers</b>	A: Request for extension B: MOT history C: Photographs D: Vehicle Inspection Sheet

### 1. APPLICATION DETAILS

- 1.1 Vehicle first registered – 04.09.2013  
Age of vehicle, if granted - 12 years 5 months  
Hackney Carriage licence expires – 26 March 2026

The vehicle will no longer meet the Council’s licensing policy as it is now being more than 10 years old.

- 1.2 MOT passed on 8 April 2025 with 5 advisories.
- 1.3 Vehicle inspection failed at Abbots Commercial on the 25 February 2026. It later passed inspection on 26 February 2026.

#### 1.4 Licensing Officer:

At the time of writing this report the vehicle had not been inspected by a licensing officer.

#### Recommendation:

If the Committee resolves to license the vehicle, a condition requiring the vehicle to have six or four monthly vehicle inspections be imposed.

## 2. RELEVANT POLICY AND LAW

- 2.1 Paragraph 5.2 of the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Licensing Policy states that:

*A vehicle being presented for initial licensing is required to be under five years old at first registration.*

*A vehicle being presented for subsequent licensing is required to be under 10 years old with the exception of purpose-built cabs. The Council has discretion to continue to licence Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles which are older than ten years provided that the Council is satisfied that the vehicle is in a good condition and good state of repair and provided that it passes the appropriate testing standard. Applications for subsequent licensing for vehicles older than ten years will be considered by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee which can impose such conditions as it thinks fit including six and four monthly testing'.*

- 2.2 All vehicle licences are issued annually.

- 2.3 Section 43 of the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 provides that:

*'Every licence so to be granted shall be under the common seal of the commissioners, if incorporated, or, if not incorporated, shall be signed by two or more of the commissioners, and shall not include more than one carriage so licensed, and shall be in force for one year only from the day of the date of such licence, or until the next general licensing meeting, in case any general licensing day be appointed by the commissioners' and*

- 2.4 Section 47(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that:

*'A district council may attach to the grant of a licence of a hackney carriage under the Act of 1847 such conditions as the district council may consider reasonably necessary'.*

- 2.5 The above Policy and statutory provisions reflect the Council's responsibility to ensure that all hackney carriage and private hire vehicles are safe and fit for use by members of the public. The Committee has the discretion to license a vehicle if it is of the view that the vehicle is safe, fit for use and is in an acceptable condition.

- 2.6 The decision of the Committee following a complete review of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Policy in April 2009, after taking into account the views from the trade, were as follows:

*"The Committee decided that vehicles being presented for initial licensing must be under five years old."*

2.7 With regard to subsequent licensing, the Committee decided that a vehicle should be under ten years old with the exception of purpose-built cabs. However, the Committee decided that the Council could exercise discretion to continue to licence Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles which are older than ten years provided that the Council is satisfied that it is in a good condition and good state of repair and provided that it passes the appropriate testing standard. Applications for subsequent licensing for vehicles older than ten years will be considered by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee which can impose such conditions as it thinks fit including six monthly testing. The Committee did not consider it appropriate to introduce an upper age or mileage limit.”

2.8 Section 50(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides:

*‘that a district council shall not under the provisions of this subsection require a proprietor to present the same hackney carriage or private hire vehicle for inspection and testing on more than three separate occasions during any one period of twelve months.’*

### **3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of defending the appeal if the application is refused and the applicant appeals to the Magistrates’ Court.

### **4. LEGAL**

The Committee are required only to ensure that Public Safety is not compromised by the granting of an extension of the licence. If they are satisfied that safety is reasonably assured, they may grant the licence for a maximum of 12 months or such shorter period as they see as appropriate.



## **Regulatory and Appeals Committee**

Dear Chairman and Councillors

I would like to appeal for an extension to my vehicle FJ63 ZSZ a grey Toyota Avensis first registered 4<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

The licence is due to expire 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025 and will be 12 years and 6 months old. The vehicle is in excellent internal and external condition. It is not financially viable for me to replace this vehicle with one that is under 5 years old at the current moment in time due to the current economic climate and the increasing lack of custom.

I will present my vehicle to the Licensing Officer for inspection on request so that they can confirm that it was in good physical condition.

If the vehicle is granted an extension, I understand that it will be subject to 6 monthly inspections and I will be happy to comply with this.

I keep this car well maintained and it is mechanically in excellent working order.

Please consider my application for an extension.

Yours faithfully

Dragos Paul Dudau

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# FJ63ZSZ TOYOTA AVENSIS

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Colour  
**Grey**

Fuel type  
**Diesel**

Date registered  
**4 September 2013**

MOT valid until  
**7 April 2026**

[Get an MOT reminder \(https://www.gov.uk/mot-reminder\)](https://www.gov.uk/mot-reminder) by email or text.

[Download test certificates \(/enter-document-reference?registration=FJ63ZSZ\)](/enter-document-reference?registration=FJ63ZSZ)

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## MOT history

Check mileage recorded at test, expiry date, and test outcome

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Date tested  
**8 April 2025**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**319,028 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**7703 8310 5062**

Expiry date  
**7 April 2026**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Windscreen damaged but not adversely affecting driver's view (3.2 (a) (i))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **All direction indicators slightly discoloured (4.4.3 (a))**
- **Oil leak, but not excessive Underside of vehicle damp all over (8.4.1 (a) (i))**
- **Rear subframe, rear chassis and filler neck corroded**
- **Offside Rear Inner Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**

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Date tested  
**18 March 2025**

**FAIL**

Mileage  
**318,711 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**4136 2998 9593**

Repair immediately (major defects):

- **Oil leaking excessively from engine (8.4.1 (a) (i))**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Windscreen damaged but not adversely affecting driver's view (3.2 (a) (i))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Rear Subframe corroded**
- **All direction indicators slightly discoloured (4.4.3 (a))**

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Date tested  
**28 February 2024**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**280,735 miles**

Test location **32**

MOT test number  
**3774 0646 4997**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2025**

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Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Coolant leak**

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Date tested  
**21 March 2023**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**244,830 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**7971 6896 5433**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2024**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Windscreen damaged but not adversely affecting driver's view (3.2 (a) (i))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Front Suspension arm pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement Rear bush (5.3.4 (a) (i))**
- **Offside Front Suspension arm pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement Rear bush (5.3.4 (a) (i))**

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Date tested  
**21 March 2022**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**205,961 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**7224 4538 5831**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2023**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Front Suspension arm pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement (5.3.4 (a) (i))**
- **Offside Front Suspension arm pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement (5.3.4 (a) (i))**

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Date tested  
**11 March 2021**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**169,955 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**4415 0173 1385**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2022**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Front Suspension arm pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement Rear bush (5.3.4 (a) (i))**

- **Offside Front Suspension arm pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement Rear bush (5.3.4 (a) (i))**

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Date tested  
**23 March 2020**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**151,385 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**7136 6401 1065**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2021**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Windscreen damaged but not adversely affecting driver's view (3.2 (a) (i))**

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Date tested  
**25 March 2019**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**128,589 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**8646 8524 0083**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2020**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Rear Brakes imbalanced requirements only just met. It would appear that the braking system requires adjustment or repair. (1.2.1 (b) (i))**
- **Nearside Front wheel binding**
- **Nearside Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**
- **Offside Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**
- **Nearside Rear Tyre worn close to legal limit/worn on edge (5.2.3 (e))**

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Date tested  
**25 March 2019**

**FAIL**

Mileage  
**128,587 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**6833 2079 4958**

Repair immediately (major defects):

- **Nearside Rear Direction indicator incorrect colour (4.4.3 (a))**
- **Offside Rear Direction indicator incorrect colour (4.4.3 (a))**

- **Offside Front Windscreen washer provides insufficient washer liquid (3.5 (a))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Rear Brakes imbalanced requirements only just met. It would appear that the braking system requires adjustment or repair. (1.2.1 (b) (i))**
- **Nearside Front wheel binding**
- **Nearside Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**
- **Offside Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**
- **Nearside Rear Tyre worn close to legal limit/worn on edge (5.2.3 (e))**

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Date tested  
**26 March 2018**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**103,446 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**4848 1680 2472**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2019**

Date tested  
**24 March 2017**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**79,036 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**4867 0704 3605**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2018**

Advisory notice item(s)

- **Central Rear Tyre worn close to the legal limit 3mm (4.1.E.1)**

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Date tested  
**24 March 2016**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**54,189 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**1972 3076 2007**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2017**

Date tested  
**26 March 2015**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**18,177 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**8983 7558 5099**

Expiry date  
**25 March 2016**

Advisory notice item(s)

- **Nearside Front Tyre worn close to the legal limit (4.1.E.1)**
- **Offside Front Tyre worn close to the legal limit (4.1.E.1)**

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## Teignbridge District Council - Vehicle Inspection Sheet

Annual / 6 Monthly / 4 Monthly / MOT

Hackney Carriage/Private Hire  
Plate No HL15

Owner \_\_\_\_\_  
Mileage 346688

Date 25/2/26  
Registration No FJ63 25Z  
No. Passengers 4

	Pass	Fail	Re-Tested	Comments
<b>Steering and Suspension</b>				
1 Steering Control	✓			
2 Steering Mechanism/System	✓			
3 Power Steering	✓			
4 Transmission Shaft	✓			
5 Wheel Bearings	✓			
6 Front Suspension	✓			Very slight play of SF drop link
7 Rear Suspension	✓			
8 Shock Absorbers	✓			
<b>Lighting Equipment</b>				
9 Front and Rear Lamps etc.		✓	//	Fog lamp mop
10 Headlamps	✓			
11 Headlamp Aim	✓			
12 Stop Lamps	✓			
13 Rear Reflectors	✓			
14 Direction Indicators	✓			
15 Hazard Lamps	✓			
<b>Braking System</b>				
17 ABS Warning System/Controls	✓			
18 Condition of Service Brake System	✓			
19 Conditions of Parking Brake System	✓			
20 Service Brake Performance	✓			
21 Parking Brake Performance	✓			
22 Efficiency - Footbrake %	✓			
23 Efficiency - Handbrake %	✓			
<b>Tyres &amp; Wheels</b>				
24 Tyre Type & Condition	✓			
25 Road Wheels	✓			
<b>General</b>				
26 Compliance with current MOT reqs.		✓	✓	No?
27 Seatbelts Mountings/Operation	✓			
28 Horn	✓			
29 Exhaust Systems	✓			
30 Exhaust Emission (Printout)	✓			
31 Vehicle Condition Interior	✓			
32 Vehicle Condition Exterior	✓			
33 Seat condition	✓			
34 Luggage space	✓			
35 Doors/Locks operational	✓			
36 Mirrors & View of the road	✓			
37 Fuel System	✓			
38 Speedometer operational	✓			
39 Excise Licence/Date	✓			
40 Fire Extinguisher with Sticker	✓			
41 First Aid Kit with Sticker	✓			
42 No Smoking Stickers	✓			
43 Rooflight Operational	✓			
44 Current MOT/Date	✓			April 7 <sup>th</sup>
45 Meter Fitted & Tested	✓			
46 Fuel & Oil Leaks	✓			
47 Tariff Card Displayed	✓			
48 Livery Compliant	✓			
49 Windows Operational	✓			

<b>Brake Test Results</b>	
NSF <u>338</u>	OSF <u>347</u>
NSR <u>159</u>	OSR <u>187</u>
NSH <u>180</u>	OSH <u>189</u>
Brake Weight	
Emission Test Value	
Re-show Items	
Date due by	

### Certificate

I hereby certify that I have carried out the various examinations of the vehicle as scheduled and the vehicle has **PASSED / FAILED**  
I have also checked the fare/meter over a prescribed distance and it is correct

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed Re-Tes \_\_\_\_\_  
Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date 25/2/26  
Date 26/2/26

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## TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

### LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE

#### PART I

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Extension for further 12 months</b> Toyota Avensis FM14LZX Black H416
<b>Purpose</b>	For the Committee to consider the request, including this report, representations made by the proprietor of the vehicle and to determine whether the vehicle is fit for purpose and should be issued with an extended licensing plate.
<b>Applicant</b>	Mr Bogdan Iamandei
<b>Options</b>	The Committee may: a. Grant the request, with or without conditions; or b. Refuse the request.
<b>Report Author</b>	Vicky Limb licensing@teignbridge.gov.uk
<b>Appendices / Background Papers</b>	A: Request for extension B: MOT history C: Photographs D: Vehicle Inspection Sheet

#### 1. APPLICATION DETAILS

- 1.1 Vehicle first registered – 30.07.2014  
Age of vehicle, if granted - 11 years 7 months  
Hackney Carriage licence expires – 30.03.26

The vehicle will no longer meet the Council's licensing policy as it is now being more than 10 years old.

- 1.2 MOT passed on the 11 September 2025 with one advisory.
- 1.3 Vehicle inspection booked at an approved third-party garage. At the time of writing this report, a date has not been confirmed.

#### 1.4 Licensing Officer:

At the time of writing this report the vehicle had not been inspected by a licensing officer.

Recommendation:

If the Committee resolves to license the vehicle, a condition requiring the vehicle to have six or four monthly vehicle inspections be imposed.

## 2. RELEVANT POLICY AND LAW

- 2.1 Paragraph 5.2 of the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Licensing Policy states that:

*A vehicle being presented for initial licensing is required to be under five years old at first registration.*

*A vehicle being presented for subsequent licensing is required to be under 10 years old with the exception of purpose-built cabs. The Council has discretion to continue to licence Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles which are older than ten years provided that the Council is satisfied that the vehicle is in a good condition and good state of repair and provided that it passes the appropriate testing standard. Applications for subsequent licensing for vehicles older than ten years will be considered by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee which can impose such conditions as it thinks fit including six and four monthly testing'.*

- 2.2 All vehicle licences are issued annually.

- 2.3 Section 43 of the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 provides that:

*'Every licence so to be granted shall be under the common seal of the commissioners, if incorporated, or, if not incorporated, shall be signed by two or more of the commissioners, and shall not include more than one carriage so licensed, and shall be in force for one year only from the day of the date of such licence, or until the next general licensing meeting, in case any general licensing day be appointed by the commissioners' and*

- 2.4 Section 47(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that:

*'A district council may attach to the grant of a licence of a hackney carriage under the Act of 1847 such conditions as the district council may consider reasonably necessary'.*

- 2.5 The above Policy and statutory provisions reflect the Council's responsibility to ensure that all hackney carriage and private hire vehicles are safe and fit for use by members of the public. The Committee has the discretion to license a vehicle if it is of the view that the vehicle is safe, fit for use and is in an acceptable condition.

- 2.6 The decision of the Committee following a complete review of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Policy in April 2009, after taking into account the views from the trade, were as follows:

*"The Committee decided that vehicles being presented for initial licensing must be under five years old."*

2.7 With regard to subsequent licensing, the Committee decided that a vehicle should be under ten years old with the exception of purpose-built cabs. However, the Committee decided that the Council could exercise discretion to continue to licence Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles which are older than ten years provided that the Council is satisfied that it is in a good condition and good state of repair and provided that it passes the appropriate testing standard. Applications for subsequent licensing for vehicles older than ten years will be considered by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee which can impose such conditions as it thinks fit including six monthly testing. The Committee did not consider it appropriate to introduce an upper age or mileage limit.”

2.8 Section 50(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides:

*‘that a district council shall not under the provisions of this subsection require a proprietor to present the same hackney carriage or private hire vehicle for inspection and testing on more than three separate occasions during any one period of twelve months.’*

### **3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of defending the appeal if the application is refused and the applicant appeals to the Magistrates’ Court.

### **4. LEGAL**

The Committee are required only to ensure that Public Safety is not compromised by the granting of an extension of the licence. If they are satisfied that safety is reasonably assured, they may grant the licence for a maximum of 12 months or such shorter period as they see as appropriate.

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Regulatory and Appeals Committee

Good morning, Chairman and Councillors

I would like to request an extension for my vehicle H416, FM14 LZX. A Black Toyota Avensis first registered 30<sup>th</sup> July 2014. The vehicle will be 11 years and 8 months old when the current licence expires 30<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

The vehicle is in excellent condition inside and out and is regularly serviced. I keep the vehicle in good order inside and outside at all times and it is a smooth comfortable ride. The cost of replacing this vehicle with one that is under 5 years old is very expensive and I feel that this car is better presented than many that are younger.

I will be happy to present the vehicle to yourselves for inspection. I have submitted photographs of the vehicles interior and exterior.

I would be grateful if you would grant an extension of 12 months on this vehicle

Yours sincerely

Bogdan Iamandei

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## FMI4 LZX TOYOTA AVENSIS

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Colour  
**Black**

Fuel type  
**Diesel**

Date registered  
**30 July 2014**

MOT valid until  
**30 September 2026**

[Get an MOT reminder \(https://www.gov.uk/mot-reminder\)](https://www.gov.uk/mot-reminder) by email or text.

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## MOT history

Check mileage recorded at test, expiry date, and test outcome

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Date tested  
**11 September 2025**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**386,469 miles**

Test location  
▶ [View test location](#)

MOT test number  
**4473 5245 4475**

Expiry date  
**30 September 2026**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Offside Front Seat belt webbing slightly damaged or frayed Stretched (7.1.2 (b))**

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Date tested  
**10 September 2024**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**343,382 miles**

Test location  
▶ [View test location](#)

MOT test number  
**2526 9329 8912**

Expiry date  
**30 September 2025**

Date tested  
**10 September 2024**

**FAIL**

Mileage  
**343,382 miles**

Test location  
▶ [View test location](#)

MOT test number  
**2989 6521 6264**

Repair immediately (major defects):

- **Offside Headlamp not working on dipped beam (4.1.1 (a) (ii))**

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Date tested  
**25 September 2023**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**308,668 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**6702 3114 1519**

Expiry date  
**30 September 2024**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Nearside Front Anti-roll bar linkage ball joint dust cover severely deteriorated (5.3.4 (b) (i))**

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Date tested  
**6 September 2022**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**271,633 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**4160 2776 1879**  
Expiry date  
**30 September 2023**

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Date tested  
**16 September 2021**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**236,383 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**6992 6698 4315**  
Expiry date  
**30 September 2022**

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Date tested  
**21 September 2020**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**212,620 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**6899 3940 4484**  
Expiry date  
**30 September 2021**

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Date tested  
**27 March 2019**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**165,088 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**8607 0679 8159**  
Expiry date  
**30 September 2020**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Windscreen damaged but not adversely affecting driver's view (3.2 (a) (i))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Rear Direction indicator slightly discoloured (4.4.3 (a))**
- **Rear Brake disc worn, pitted or scored, but not seriously weakened (1.1.14 (a) (ii))**

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Date tested  
**27 March 2018**

Mileage **53**  
**124,258 miles**

MOT test number  
**1209 5586 9728**

# PASS

Test location

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Expiry date

**30 March 2019**

Advisory notice item(s)

- **Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (3.5.1g)**

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Date tested

**30 March 2017**

# PASS

Mileage

**93,012 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number

**9784 5420 2465**

Expiry date

**30 March 2018**

Advisory notice item(s)

- **Nearside Front Tyre worn close to the legal limit 3mm (4.1.E.1)**

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Date tested

**30 March 2017**

# FAIL

Mileage

**93,011 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number

**6026 5079 5310**

Reason(s) for failure

- **Nearside Front Headlamp not working on dipped beam (1.7.5a)**

Advisory notice item(s)

- **Nearside Front Tyre worn close to the legal limit 3mm (4.1.E.1)**

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Date tested

**30 March 2016**

# PASS

Mileage

**57,008 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number

**5931 9819 0898**

Expiry date

**30 March 2017**

Advisory notice item(s)

- **Nearside Rear Tyre worn close to the legal limit 3mm (4.1.E.1)**

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Date tested  
**31 March 2015**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**16,476 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**3067 2029 5024**

Expiry date  
**30 March 2016**

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## Safety recalls

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**TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE**

**PART I**

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Extension for further 12 months</b> Mercedes Vito W13 CAB Silver H018
<b>Purpose</b>	For the Committee to consider the request, including this report, representations made by the proprietor of the vehicle and to determine whether the vehicle is fit for purpose and should be issued with an extended licensing plate.
<b>Applicant</b>	Mr Christopher Wilson
<b>Options</b>	The Committee may: a. Grant the request, with or without conditions; or b. Refuse the request.
<b>Report Author</b>	Vicky Limb licensing@teignbridge.gov.uk
<b>Appendices / Background Papers</b>	A: Request for extension B: MOT history C: Photographs D: Vehicle Inspection Sheet

**1. APPLICATION DETAILS**

- 1.1 Vehicle first registered – 04.03.2016  
Age of vehicle, if granted - 9 years 11 months  
Hackney Carriage licence expires - 08.03.2027

The vehicle will no longer meet the Council’s licensing policy as it is now being more than 10 years old.

- 1.2 MOT passed on the 4 February 2026 with 2 advisories.
- 1.3 Vehicle inspection booked at the Depot for 27 February 2026.
- 1.4 **Licensing Officer:**

At the time of writing this report the vehicle had not been inspected by a licensing officer.

Recommendation:  
If the Committee resolves to license the vehicle, a condition requiring the vehicle to have six or four monthly vehicle inspections be imposed.

## 2. RELEVANT POLICY AND LAW

- 2.1 Paragraph 5.2 of the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Licensing Policy states that:

*A vehicle being presented for initial licensing is required to be under five years old at first registration.*

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- 2.5 The above Policy and statutory provisions reflect the Council's responsibility to ensure that all hackney carriage and private hire vehicles are safe and fit for use by members of the public. The Committee has the discretion to license a vehicle if it is of the view that the vehicle is safe, fit for use and is in an acceptable condition.

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*"The Committee decided that vehicles being presented for initial licensing must be under five years old."*

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However, the Committee decided that the Council could exercise discretion to continue to licence Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles which are older than ten years provided that the Council is satisfied that it is in a good condition and good state of repair and provided that it passes the appropriate testing standard. Applications for subsequent licensing for vehicles older than ten years will be considered by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee which can impose such conditions as it thinks fit including six monthly testing. The Committee did not consider it appropriate to introduce an upper age or mileage limit.”

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### **3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of defending the appeal if the application is refused and the applicant appeals to the Magistrates’ Court.

### **4. LEGAL**

The Committee are required only to ensure that Public Safety is not compromised by the granting of an extension of the licence. If they are satisfied that safety is reasonably assured, they may grant the licence for a maximum of 12 months or such shorter period as they see as appropriate.

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Regulatory and Appeals Committee

Good morning, Chairman and Councillors

I would like to request an extension on vehicle H018. A Silver Mercedes Vito first registered 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The vehicle will be 10 years and 4 days old when the current licence expires 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

The vehicle is in excellent condition inside and out and is maintained to a high standard. 8 passenger vehicles are very expensive to replace for newer models under years old and it is not financially viable to do this at the moment when this vehicle still drives extremely well.

I would be grateful if you would grant an extension of 12 months on this vehicle

Yours sincerely

Christopher Wilson

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**W13 CAB**

# MERCEDES-BENZ VITO

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Colour  
**Silver**

Fuel type  
**Diesel**

Date registered  
**4 March 2016**

MOT valid until  
**28 February 2027**

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## MOT history

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Date tested  
**4 February 2026**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**243,588 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**3971 2934 3502**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2027**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Rear Upper Anti-roll bar linkage pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement (5.3.4 (a) (i))**
- **Nearside Front Suspension arm ball joint has slight play (5.3.4 (a) (i))**

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Date tested  
**26 February 2025**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**224,021 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**7235 5693 2921**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2026**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Rear bump stops missing**
- **Offside Front washer jet pattern poor**
- **Vehicles internal headlight adjuster altered to recheck lights**
- **Nearside Rear Anti-roll bar linkage pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement (5.3.4 (a) (i))**
- **Nearside Rear park brake slow in operation**

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Date tested  
**27 February 2024**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**209,689 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**9699 5305 8493**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2025**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Nearside Front Lower Anti-roll bar ball joint dust cover severely deteriorated (5.3.4 (b) (i))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Rear Upper Anti-roll bar linkage pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement (5.3.4 (a) (i))**
- **Nearside Rear Inner Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**
- **Nearside Front Service brake binding but not excessively (1.2.1 (f))**
- **Both rear tyres wearing on inner edge**
- **Nearside Rear Seat belt flexible stalk damaged sticking (7.1.2 (b) (i))**

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Date tested  
**23 February 2023**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**195,984 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**2003 4416 0466**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2024**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Offside Front Anti-roll bar linkage ball joint dust cover severely deteriorated (5.3.4 (b) (i))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Rear park brake travel high/long**
- **Rear Service brake requirements only just met. It would appear that the braking system requires adjustment or repair (1.2.1 (c))**
- **Front Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**
- **Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**
- **Nearside Front Road wheel slightly distorted both (5.2.2 (c) (i))**

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Date tested  
**23 February 2022**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**182,196 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**7180 4142 6395**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2023**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Driver's door hinge deteriorated but the door can still be readily opened and closed (6.2.3 (c) (i))**
- **Nearside Front Road wheel slightly distorted (5.2.2 (c) (i))**

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Date tested  
**23 February 2021**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**169,495 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**3585 7962 5682**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2022**

Date tested  
**17 February 2020**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**161,549 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**7877 0598 5657**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2021**

Date tested  
**17 February 2020**

**FAIL**

Mileage  
**143,292 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**3353 2815 8253**

Repair immediately (major defects):

- **Engine MIL inoperative or indicates a malfunction (8.2.2.2 (g))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**

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Date tested  
**26 February 2019**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**120,169 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**4437 5658 9160**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2020**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Rear Anti-roll bar linkage pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement (5.3.4 (a) (i))**
- **Offside Rear Anti-roll bar linkage pin or bush worn but not resulting in excessive movement (5.3.4 (a) (i))**
- **Nearside Rear bump stop**

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Date tested  
**1 March 2018**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**74,558 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**3051 1404 1816**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2019**

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Date tested  
**1 March 2017**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**38,507 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**2760 4872 8105**

Expiry date  
**28 February 2018**

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## Safety recalls

We do not have recall information for this vehicle.

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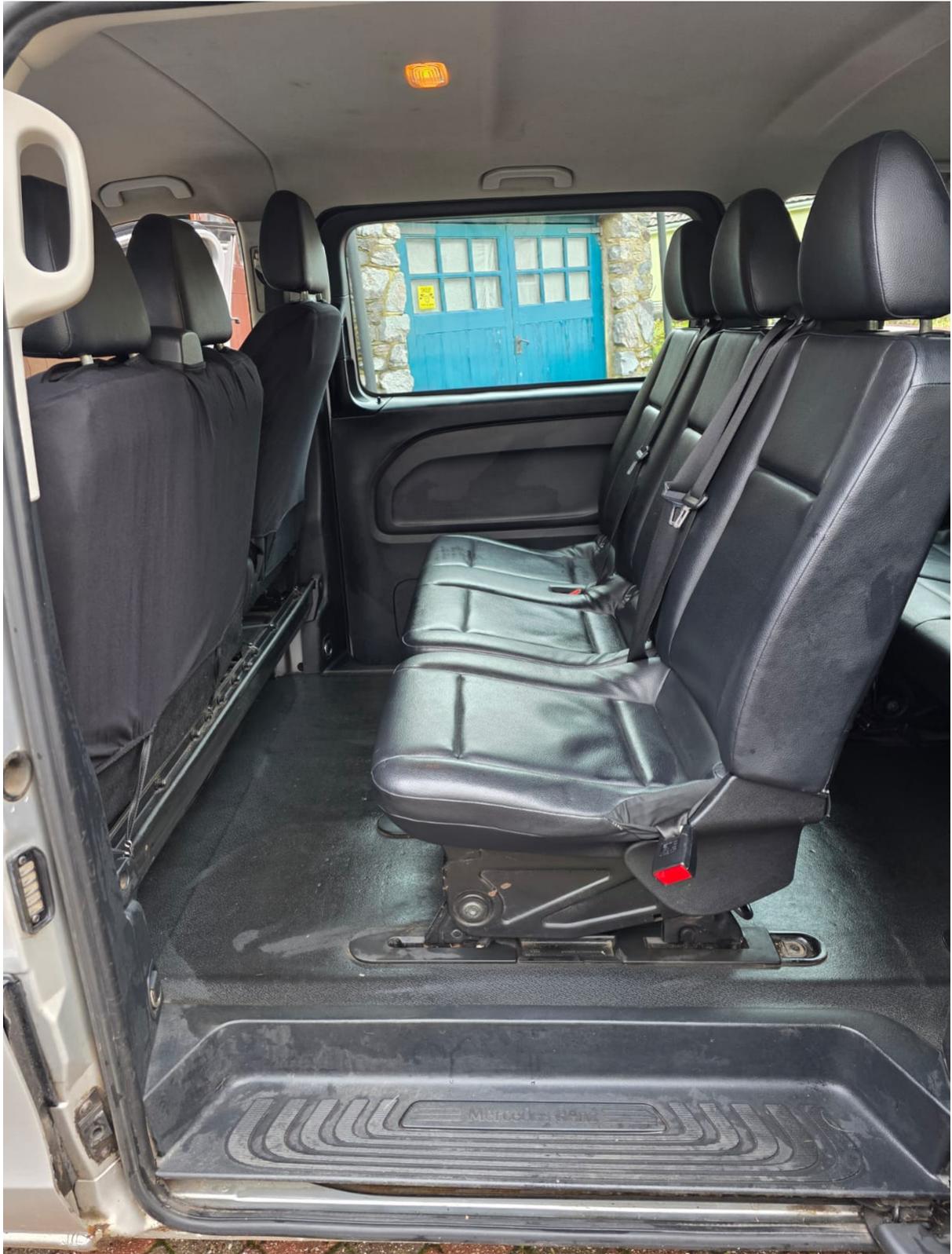




























# TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE

### PART I

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle licence for 12 months</b> Renault Captur WD15 YFP Red
<b>Purpose</b>	For the Committee to consider the request, including this report, representations made by the proprietor of the vehicle and to determine whether the vehicle is fit for purpose and should be issued with an extended licensing plate.
<b>Applicant</b>	Mrs Edith-Claudia Comsa
<b>Options</b>	The Committee may: a. Grant the request, with or without conditions; or b. Refuse the request.
<b>Report Author</b>	Vicky Limb licensing@teignbridge.gov.uk
<b>Appendices / Background Papers</b>	A: Request for extension B: MOT history C: Photographs D: Vehicle Inspection Sheet

### 1. APPLICATION DETAILS

- 1.1 Vehicle first registered – 18.08.2015  
Age of vehicle, if granted - 10 years 6 months

The vehicle will not meet the Council’s licensing policy as it is now being more than 10 years old.

- 1.2 MOT passed on the 7 July 2025 with no advisories.
- 1.3 Vehicle inspection booked at Abbots Commercials on the 9 March 2026.
- 1.4 **Licensing Officer:**

At the time of writing this report the vehicle had not been inspected by a licensing officer.

Recommendation:

If the Committee resolves to license the vehicle, a condition requiring the vehicle to have six or four monthly vehicle inspections be imposed.

### 2. RELEVANT POLICY AND LAW

- 2.1 Paragraph 5.2 of the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Licensing Policy states that:

*A vehicle being presented for initial licensing is required to be under five years old at first registration.*

*A vehicle being presented for subsequent licensing is required to be under 10 years old with the exception of purpose-built cabs. The Council has discretion to continue to licence Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles which are older than ten years provided that the Council is satisfied that the vehicle is in a good condition and good state of repair and provided that it passes the appropriate testing standard. Applications for subsequent licensing for vehicles older than ten years will be considered by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee which can impose such conditions as it thinks fit including six and four monthly testing'.*

- 2.2 All vehicle licences are issued annually.

- 2.3 Section 43 of the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 provides that:

*'Every licence so to be granted shall be under the common seal of the commissioners, if incorporated, or, if not incorporated, shall be signed by two or more of the commissioners, and shall not include more than one carriage so licensed, and shall be in force for one year only from the day of the date of such licence, or until the next general licensing meeting, in case any general licensing day be appointed by the commissioners' and*

- 2.4 Section 47(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that:

*'A district council may attach to the grant of a licence of a hackney carriage under the Act of 1847 such conditions as the district council may consider reasonably necessary'.*

- 2.5 The above Policy and statutory provisions reflect the Council's responsibility to ensure that all hackney carriage and private hire vehicles are safe and fit for use by members of the public. The Committee has the discretion to license a vehicle if it is of the view that the vehicle is safe, fit for use and is in an acceptable condition.

- 2.6 The decision of the Committee following a complete review of the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Policy in April 2009, after taking into account the views from the trade, were as follows:

*"The Committee decided that vehicles being presented for initial licensing must be under five years old."*

- 2.7 With regard to subsequent licensing, the Committee decided that a vehicle should be under ten years old with the exception of purpose-built cabs. However, the Committee decided that the Council could exercise discretion to

continue to licence Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles which are older than ten years provided that the Council is satisfied that it is in a good condition and good state of repair and provided that it passes the appropriate testing standard. Applications for subsequent licensing for vehicles older than ten years will be considered by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee which can impose such conditions as it thinks fit including six monthly testing. The Committee did not consider it appropriate to introduce an upper age or mileage limit.”

2.8 Section 50(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides:

*‘that a district council shall not under the provisions of this subsection require a proprietor to present the same hackney carriage or private hire vehicle for inspection and testing on more than three separate occasions during any one period of twelve months.’*

### **3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of defending the appeal if the application is refused and the applicant appeals to the Magistrates’ Court.

### **4. LEGAL**

The Committee are required only to ensure that Public Safety is not compromised by the granting of an extension of the licence. If they are satisfied that safety is reasonably assured, they may grant the licence for a maximum of 12 months or such shorter period as they see as appropriate.

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## **Regulatory and Appeals Committee**

Dear Chairman and Councillors

I would like to appeal for the grant of a Hackney Carriage Vehicle licence for my Renault Captur.

The vehicle was first registered in 18<sup>th</sup> August 2015 and will soon be 10 years old.

I am aware that the Policy states that a vehicle must be under 5 years old on 1<sup>st</sup> registration but appeal that my vehicle is in excellent condition inside and out, and I like to ensure that it is clean and polished at all times and in top mechanical condition

The cost of replacing this vehicle with one that is under 5 years old is not something I am currently able to afford as I start out on this new venture. My husband is a licensed Hackney Carriage Driver with Teignbridge Council and he is also a contractor for Devon County Council. Our plan is to work together doing DCC contract work and we will ensure that any contracts bid for are in Teignbridge.

I hope that the committee will look favourably upon my request as it is a safe and reliable vehicle.

I understand that I have to present the vehicle to a licensing officer so that a report can be prepared and that it must have a taxi test at the depot prior to the next committee hearing.

Yours faithfully

Edith-Claudia Comsa

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# WD15 YFP RENAULT CAPTUR

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Colour  
**Red**

Fuel type  
**Diesel**

Date registered  
**18 August 2015**

MOT valid until  
**1 August 2026**

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## MOT history

Check mileage recorded at test, expiry date, and test outcome

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Date tested  
**7 July 2025**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**39,156 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**1967 1309 9380**

Expiry date  
**1 August 2026**

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Date tested  
**11 July 2024**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**35,934 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**1265 3998 7026**

Expiry date  
**1 August 2025**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Slight handbrake travel suggesting adjustment is required but not considered excessive.**
- **Offside Rear Service brake binding but not excessively (1.2.1 (f))**
- **Rear Shock absorbers has light misting of oil Both. (5.3.2 (b))**

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Date tested  
**20 July 2023**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**33,521 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**9801 5188 3612**

Expiry date  
**1 August 2024**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Items removed from driver's view prior to test**
- **Offside Rear Child Seat fitted not allowing full inspection of adult belt**
- **Front Brake disc worn, but not excessively (1.1.14 (a) (i))**
- **Offside Rear Service brake binding but not excessively (1.2.1 (f))**
- **Nearside Rear Shock absorbers has light misting of oil (5.3.2 (b))**
- **Offside Rear Shock absorbers has light misting of oil (5.3.2 (b))**

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Date tested  
**2 August 2022**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**31,226 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**8513 2819 6962**

Expiry date  
**1 August 2023**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Front Tyre worn close to legal limit/worn on edge (5.2.3 (e))**
- **Offside Front Tyre worn close to legal limit/worn on edge (5.2.3 (e))**

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Date tested  
**30 June 2021**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**27,750 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**6945 7928 6132**

Expiry date  
**30 June 2022**

Repair as soon as possible (minor defects):

- **Offside Windscreen wiper blade defective not fully secure (3.4 (b) (i))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Front Tyre slightly damaged/cracking or perishing (5.2.3 (d) (ii))**
- **Offside Front Tyre slightly damaged/cracking or perishing (5.2.3 (d) (ii))**
- **both rear tyres in very poor condition sidewalls badly cracked**

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Date tested  
**1 July 2020**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**25,844 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**2799 6500 5012**

Expiry date  
**30 June 2021**

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Date tested  
**5 July 2019**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**25,005 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**2624 9821 0736**

Expiry date  
**4 January 2021**

Date tested  
**2 August 2018**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**21,192 miles**

Test location

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MOT test number  
**7128 0577 0355**

Expiry date  
**17 August 2019**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Front front tyres wearing on inner edge**

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## Teignbridge District Council - Vehicle Inspection Sheet

Annual / 6 Monthly / 4 Monthly / MOT

Hackney Carriage/Private Hire  
Plate No \_\_\_\_\_

Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mileage 40494

No. Passengers 4

Registration No \_\_\_\_\_

9/3/26  
WD15 YFP

	Pass	Fail	Re-Tested	Comments
<b>Steering and Suspension</b>				
1	Steering Control	✓		
2	Steering Mechanism/System	✓		
3	Power Steering	✓		
4	Transmission Shaft	✓		
5	Wheel Bearings	✓		
6	Front Suspension	✓		NISIF drop link boot split
7	Rear Suspension	✓		
8	Shock Absorbers	✓		
<b>Lighting Equipment</b>				
9	Front and Rear Lamps etc.	✓		
10	Headlamps	✓		
11	Headlamp Aim	✓		
12	Stop Lamps	✓		
13	Rear Reflectors	✓		
14	Direction Indicators	✓		
15	Hazard Lamps	✓		
<b>Braking System</b>				
17	ABS Warning System/Controls	✓		
18	Condition of Service Brake System	✓		
19	Conditions of Parking Brake System	✓		
20	Service Brake Performance	✓		
21	Parking Brake Performance	✓		
22	Efficiency - Footbrake %	✓		
23	Efficiency - Handbrake %	✓		
<b>Tyres &amp; Wheels</b>				
24	Tyre Type & Condition	✓		
25	Road Wheels	✓		
<b>General</b>				
26	Compliance with current MOT reqs.	✓		
27	Seatbelts Mountings/Operation	✓		
28	Horn	✓		
29	Exhaust Systems	✓		
30	Exhaust Emission (Printout)	✓		
31	Vehicle Condition Interior	✓		
32	Vehicle Condition Exterior	✓		
33	Seat condition	✓		
34	Luggage space	✓		
35	Doors/Locks operational	✓		
36	Mirrors & View of the road	✓		
37	Fuel System	✓		
38	Speedometer operational	✓		
39	Excise Licence/Date	✓		
40	Fire Extinguisher with Sticker	✓		
41	First Aid Kit with Sticker	✓		
42	No Smoking Stickers	✓		
43	Rooflight Operational	✓		
44	Current MOT/Date	✓		
45	Meter Fitted & Tested	✓		
46	Fuel & Oil Leaks	✓		
47	Tariff Card Displayed	✓		
48	Livery Compliant	✓		
49	Windows Operational	✓		

<b>Brake Test Results</b>	
NSF <u>365</u> /	OSF <u>351</u> /
NSR <u>165</u> /	OSR <u>183</u> /
NSH <u>132</u> /	OSH <u>152</u> /
Brake Weight _____	
Emission Test Value _____	
Re-show Items _____	
Date due by _____	

### Certificate

I hereby certify that I have carried out the various examinations of the vehicle as scheduled and the vehicle has **PASSED** / **FAILED**

I have also checked the fare/meter over a prescribed distance and it is correct

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Passed Re-Test \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date 9/3/26  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE**

**PART I**

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle Extension for further 12 months</b> Vauxhall Zafira YS64 YFR Grey H013
<b>Purpose</b>	For the Committee to consider the request, including this report, representations made by the proprietor of the vehicle and to determine whether the vehicle is fit for purpose and should be issued with an extended licensing plate.
<b>Applicant</b>	Mr John Wilson
<b>Options</b>	The Committee may: a. Grant the request, with or without conditions; or b. Refuse the request.
<b>Report Author</b>	Vicky Limb licensing@teignbridge.gov.uk
<b>Appendices / Background Papers</b>	A: Request for extension B: MOT history C: Photographs D: Vehicle Inspection Sheet

**1. APPLICATION DETAILS**

- 1.1 Vehicle first registered – 29.01.2015  
Age of vehicle, if granted - 11 years 0 months  
Hackney Carriage licence expires - 17.02.2027

The vehicle will no longer meet the Council’s licensing policy as it is now being more than 10 years old.

- 1.2 MOT passed on the 13 November 2025 with no advisories.

- 1.3 Vehicle inspection passed on the 24 February 2026.

**1.4 Licensing Officer:**

At the time of writing this report the vehicle had not been inspected by a licensing officer.

Recommendation:

If the Committee resolves to license the vehicle, a condition requiring the vehicle to have six or four monthly vehicle inspections be imposed.

## 2. RELEVANT POLICY AND LAW

- 2.1 Paragraph 5.2 of the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Licensing Policy states that:

*A vehicle being presented for initial licensing is required to be under five years old at first registration.*

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Committee Request

John Wilson

H013 19 March 2026

Following on from our telephone conversation last week I will not be able to attend the committee meeting but would like to say a few words as to why I believe this vehicle should be allowed to carry on in service. Today the taxi passed its Hackney test at the council depot. The man that carried out the test said the vehicle was a very fine example of a car for its age. The vehicle is now 11 years old as of January 2026 and has done a total of 95000 miles which I'm sure you would agree is well below average? This vehicle has done 4500 miles in the last year & is only used for a school contract for DCC one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon term time only. The vehicle is well maintained, serviced yearly, is very clean inside and out and remains environmentally friendly.

Many thanks

John

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**YS64 YFR**

**VAUXHALL ZAFIRA**

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Colour  
**Grey**

Fuel type  
**Petrol**

Date registered  
**29 January 2015**

MOT valid until  
**6 December 2026**

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## Teignbridge District Council - Vehicle Inspection Sheet

Annual / 6 Monthly / 4 Monthly / MOT

Hackney Carriage/Private Hire  
Plate No HO13

Owner Nickson  
Mileage 95525

Date 24/02/26  
Registration No YS64YFC

No. Passengers 6

	Pass	Fail	Re-Tested	Comments
<b>Steering and Suspension</b>				
1 Steering Control	✓			<u>Advancing</u> <u>Brake pedal rubber wearing</u> <u>inner arching nose bumper</u>
2 Steering Mechanism/System	✓			
3 Power Steering	✓			
4 Transmission Shaft	✓			
5 Wheel Bearings	✓			
6 Front Suspension	✓			
7 Rear Suspension	✓			
8 Shock Absorbers	✓			
<b>Lighting Equipment</b>				
9 Front and Rear Lamps etc.	✓			
10 Headlamps	✓			
11 Headlamp Aim	✓			
12 Stop Lamps	✓			
13 Rear Reflectors	✓			
14 Direction Indicators	✓			
15 Hazard Lamps	✓			
<b>Braking System</b>				
17 ABS Warning System/Controls	✓			
18 Condition of Service Brake System	✓			
19 Conditions of Parking Brake System	✓			
20 Service Brake Performance	✓			
21 Parking Brake Performance	✓			
22 Efficiency - Footbrake <u>65</u> %	✓			
23 Efficiency - Handbrake <u>25</u> %	✓			
<b>Tyres &amp; Wheels</b>				
24 Tyre Type & Condition	✓			
25 Road Wheels	✓			
<b>General</b>				
26 Compliance with current MOT reqs.	✓			
27 Seatbelts Mountings/Operation	✓			
28 Horn	✓			
29 Exhaust Systems	✓			
30 Exhaust Emission (Printout)	✓			
31 Vehicle Condition Interior	✓			
32 Vehicle Condition Exterior	✓			
33 Seat condition	✓			
34 Luggage space	✓			
35 Doors/Locks operational	✓			
36 Mirrors & View of the road	✓			
37 Fuel System	✓			
38 Speedometer operational	✓			
39 Excise Licence/Date	✓			<u>01 October 26</u>
40 Fire Extinguisher with Sticker	✓			
41 First Aid Kit with Sticker	✓			
42 No Smoking Stickers	✓			
43 Rooflight Operational	✓			
44 Current MOT/Date	✓			<u>06 December 26</u> <u>93901</u>
45 Meter Fitted & Tested	✓			
46 Fuel & Oil Leaks	✓			
47 Tariff Card Displayed	✓			
48 Livery Compliant	✓			
49 Windows Operational	✓			

### Certificate

I hereby certify that I have carried out the various examinations of the vehicle as scheduled and the vehicle has ~~PASSED~~ **FAILED**

I have also checked the fare/meter over a prescribed distance and it is correct

Brake Test Results	
NSF <u>368</u> ✓	OSF <u>369</u> ✓
NSR <u>255</u> ✓	OSR <u>290</u> ✓
NSH <u>239</u>	OSH <u>259</u>
Brake Weight	<u>1970</u>
Emission Test Value	<u>NA</u>
Re-show Items	
Date due by	

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Passed Re-test: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date 24/02/26  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

### LICENSING AND REGULATORY SUB COMMITTEE

#### PART I

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Request for Hackney Carriage Vehicle</b> Volkswagen Touran ML20 MZP Grey
<b>Purpose</b>	For the Committee to consider the request, including this report, representations made by the proprietor of the vehicle and to determine whether the vehicle is fit for purpose and should be issued with an extended licensing plate.
<b>Applicant</b>	Mrs Charlotte Cooper
<b>Options</b>	The Committee may: a. Grant the request, with or without conditions; or b. Refuse the request.
<b>Report Author</b>	Vicky Limb licensing@teignbridge.gov.uk
<b>Appendices / Background Papers</b>	A: Request for extension B: MOT history C: Photographs D: Vehicle Inspection Sheet

#### 1. APPLICATION DETAILS

- 1.1 Vehicle first registered – 09.06.2021  
Age of vehicle, if granted - 4 years 8 months

The vehicle will no longer meet the Council's licensing policy as it is over 5 years of age.

- 1.2 MOT passed on 3 February 2026 with 2 advisories.  
1.3 Vehicle inspection booked at the Depot for 12 March 2026.

#### 1.4 Licensing Officer:

At the time of writing this report the vehicle had not been inspected by a licensing officer.

Recommendation:

If the Committee resolves to license the vehicle, a condition requiring the vehicle to have six or four monthly vehicle inspections be imposed.

## 2. RELEVANT POLICY AND LAW

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## Andrea Furness

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**From:** charlotte Cooper < >  
**Sent:** 10 February 2026 20:22  
**To:** Ext Mail: Licensing  
**Subject:** Charlotte cooper

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to you regarding my new car that I have purchased. It was registered June 2020 and is a Volkswagen Touran. It has done 47000 miles and has full Volkswagen service history. The inside and out of the car are like new it's been very well looked after. I have paid £18990 for the car and I think the price represents the condition of the car. I know that the rule is to have a car under 5 years old and in all my previous cars in the past 17 years as a Teignbridge taxi driver this was achievable but as I require a 6 seater taxi for regular work i already have I had no choice but to but a slightly older car. As I'm sure you're aware the cost of second hand cars has increased massively. I also wanted to stick with a Touran as the seats that make it a 6 passenger car are perfect as a taxi giving customers a good size seat. I did look into newer options but I felt the back seats were too small for adult customers and 6 seater taxis are a much needed asset to the Teignbridge area. With all of the above I hope you will see that this car is perfect to be plated as a Teignbridge taxi. I have attached the video send to me from Volkswagen when I purchased the car and you can see how lovely the car is. It has also just had a Mot and service new brakes and tyres and is ready to go to work.

Kind regards  
Charlotte Cooper



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**ML20 MZP**

**VOLKSWAGEN TOURAN**

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Colour  
**Grey**

Fuel type  
**Diesel**

Date registered  
**9 June 2020**

MOT valid until  
**2 February 2027**

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## MOT history

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Date tested  
**3 February 2026**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**47,027 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**2751 8197 5429**

Expiry date  
**2 February 2027**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**
- **Offside Rear Brake pad(s) wearing thin (1.1.13 (a) (ii))**

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Date tested  
**18 March 2025**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**40,552 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**7741 1037 2280**

Expiry date  
**17 March 2026**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Front Tyre slightly damaged/cracking or perishing (5.2.3 (d) (ii))**
- **Nearside Front Tyre worn close to legal limit/worn on edge (5.2.3 (e))**

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Date tested  
**15 March 2024**

**PASS**

Mileage  
**31,530 miles**

Test location  
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MOT test number  
**3816 8063 3893**

Expiry date  
**14 March 2025**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Nearside Front Tyre worn close to legal limit/worn on edge (5.2.3 (e))**
- **Nearside Front Tyre slightly damaged/cracking or perishing (5.2.3 (d) (ii))**
- **Nearside Front Brake disc worn, pitted or scored, but not seriously weakened (1.1.14 (a) (ii))**
- **Offside Front Brake disc worn, pitted or scored, but not seriously weakened (1.1.14 (a) (ii))**

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Date tested  
**15 March 2024**

Mileage  
**31,527 miles**

MOT test number  
**1649 4670 7990**

**FAIL**

Test location

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Repair immediately (major defects):

- **Offside Front Tyre has a cut in excess of the requirements deep enough to reach the ply or cords (5.2.3 (d) (i))**

Monitor and repair if necessary (advisories):

- **Offside Front Tyre worn close to legal limit/worn on edge (5.2.3 (e))**
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Date tested  
**10 March 2023**

Mileage  
**24,768 miles**

MOT test number  
**9314 6709 3699**

**PASS**

Test location

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Expiry date  
**9 March 2024**

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