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### Private Hire Vehicle Licence Conditions

#### SUMMARY and ANALYSIS OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Condition No. & subject	Responses received from	Summary of consultation responses
<b>1.5</b>  Minimum width of seats	L M Grace	Some manufactured seats may be narrower
<b>1.7</b>  Seating configuration	T Marshall	Condition not specific
<b>2.5</b>  Vehicle shall not be fitted with a tow bar	W A Ludgate (Aus Travel)  J A Jennings (JA Luxury)  K Shenton (Kenkar)  M Jones (Airport Express Cheshire)  T Marshall  R Horton (First Class PH)  P M Pumford (Autocruise Luxury Travel)  K Puttock  L M Grace  18 Congleton BC operators	Want to be able to tow a luggage carrying trailer (eg for skis, golf clubs)  ditto  ditto  ditto Want to use tow bar for personal use  ditto  Ability to tow luggage trailer increases comfort & safety of passengers in vehicle  ditto  No grounds for objection given  ditto  If tow bars are permitted the Council should instigate a trailer licensing policy

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<b>2.7</b>  Tinted windows	W Radcliffe (Victoria Cars)  18 Congleton BC operators	Minimum light transmission should be reduced from 70% to 50%  Tinted windows are safer when broken The only minimum light restriction should be that prescribed by UK Construction & Use Regulations (ie; windscreen and front side windows). Further restriction is unnecessary
<b>4.2</b>  Additional six monthly testing for vehicles over 7 years old	G Tompsett (Lawtons PH)  J A Jennings (JA Luxury)  W A Ludgate (Aus Travel)  T Marshall  18 Congleton BC operators	Requirement is excessive Additional cost to proprietor  ditto  ditto  ditto  Requirement is excessive Alternative suggestion: MOT test at 6 months instead of Council inspection
<b>5.2</b>  Vehicles converted to use LPG	K Puttock  W Radcliffe (Victoria Cars)  18 Congleton BC operators	Carriage of spare wheel unnecessary – could carry emergency tyre inflator  Unclear about definition of gas tight LPG tank box  Ditto
<b>6.1</b>  Fire extinguisher	18 Congleton BC operators  K Shenton (Kenkar)	Potential danger from using an extinguisher instead of withdrawing to safety  ditto
<b>6.2</b>  First aid kit	A2B'R'Us  K Shenton (Kenkar)  T Marshall	No first aid training requirement for drivers Question of liability in the event of misuse  ditto  List of contents is excessive

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<b>6.3 &amp; 6.4</b>  Warning triangle & high visibility vest	G Tompsett (Lawtons PH)	Requirements are excessive Unnecessary costs to proprietor
	J A Jennings (JA Luxury)	ditto
	K Shenton (Kenkar)	ditto
	R Horton (First Class)	ditto
<b>7.</b>  Compulsory signage on vehicle	G Tompsett (Lawtons PH)	Signs are unsightly and unnecessary
	J A Jennings (JA Luxury)	Ditto Additional cost to proprietor
	K Shenton (Kenkar)	Unnecessary Additional cost to proprietor
	R Horton (First Class PH)	Unsightly, indiscreet and unnecessary
	P M Pumford (Autocruise Luxury Travel)	Indiscreet Adverse effect on paintwork
	K Puttock	ditto
	W Radcliffe (Victoria Cars)	Unnecessary Adverse effect on paintwork
	W A Ludgate (Aus Travel)	Signs too large
	18 Congleton BC operators	Loss of corporate business
	P J Gillick (Sparetime)	Signing would lead to the public confusing private hire vehicles with taxis
	T Marshall	Unnecessary Adverse effect on paintwork Loss of corporate business
	G Birch	Unnecessary
<b>8.6</b> Window identification	K Puttock	Excessive and unnecessary