

BOROUGH OF BARROW-IN-FURNESS
LICENSING REGULATORY COMMITTEE

Meeting, Thursday 25th January, 2018
at 2.00 p.m. (Drawing Room)

A G E N D A

PART ONE

1. To note any items which the Chairman considers to be of an urgent nature.
2. To receive notice from Members who may wish to move any delegated matter non-delegated and which will be decided by a majority of Members present and voting at the meeting.

3. Admission of Public and Press

To consider whether the public and press should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any of the items on the agenda.

4. Declarations of Interest.

To receive declarations by Members and/or co-optees of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the revised Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).

Members may however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests.

5. Apologies for Absence/Attendance of Substitute Members.
6. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 7th December, 2017 (copy attached).

FOR DECISION

- (R) 7. Review of Hackney Carriage Stands in the Borough.

NOTE (D) - Delegated
(R) - For Referral to Council

Membership of Committee

Councillors Callister (Chairman)
Seward (Vice-Chairman)
Biggins
Barlow
Cassells
Derbyshire
Gill
Heath
W. McClure
Proffitt
L. Roberts
Wall

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BOROUGH OF BARROW-IN-FURNESS
LICENSING REGULATORY COMMITTEE

Meeting: Thursday 7th December, 2017
at 2.00 p.m. (Drawing Room)

PRESENT:- Councillors Callister (Chairman), Seward (Vice-Chairman), Biggins, Derbyshire, Proffitt, L. Roberts and Wall.

Officers Present:- Graham Barker (Principal Environmental Protection and Licensing Officer), Jennifer Curtis (Senior Licensing Officer), Liam Casson (Trainee Environmental Health Officer), Jane Holden (Acting Principal Legal Officer), Sharron Rushton (Democratic Services Officer) and Sandra Kemsley (Democratic Services Officer).

Legal Representative:- Paul O'Donnell (Local Authority Retained Solicitor)

Police Representative:- PC Kendall (Cumbria Constabulary)

36 – The Local Government Act, 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 and Access to Information (Variation) Order 2006

Discussion arising hereon it was

RESOLVED:- That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 2 (Minute No. 39) of Part One of Schedule 12A of the said Act.

37 – Apologies for Absence/Attendance of Substitute Members

An apology for absence was submitted from Councillor Barlow.

38 – Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th November, 2017 were taken as read and confirmed.

39 – Application for a Private Hire Drivers Licence

The Senior Licensing Officer reported on an application which had been received for a Private Hire Driver's Licence.

She set out details concerning the application and the Committee's policy regarding such matters.

The applicant and a representative attended the meeting and addressed the Committee.

RESOLVED:- That the application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence be refused.

The meeting closed at 3.00 p.m.

LICENSING REGULATORY COMMITTEE		<u>Part One</u> (R) Agenda Item 7
Date of Meeting:	25th January, 2018	
Reporting Officer:	Senior Licensing Officer	
<p>Title: Review of Hackney Carriage Stands in the Borough</p> <p>Report Summary:</p> <p>The report requires Members to note any objections or representations received during the consultation period and make recommendations to the Executive Committee (and subsequently Full Council) to appoint the stands for hackney carriages.</p>		

Report

1. Purpose of Report

At Licensing Regulatory Committee on the 7th September 2017 Members agreed the proposed hackney carriage stands outlined in a report, subject to any representations and/or objections received during the consultation period.

Attached at **Appendix 1** is an amended schedule of Hackney Carriage Stands following consultation with Cumbria County Council (“CCC”).

2. Consultation

A local authority can adopt areas on streets or private land as stands for hackney carriages under section 63 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 (“the Act”). Prior to appointing stands the Act requires:-

1. the local authority to obtain the consent of the highway authority (Cumbria County Council);
2. give notice to the Chief of Police;
3. publish a notice of proposal in the local newspaper; and
4. log and consider any objections or representations received within 28 days of the first publication.

CCC has given consent to appoint the hackney carriage stands as proposed, with the exception of the new stand on Market Street, Dalton in Furness.

The Chief of Police noted our intentions to appoint the Hackney Carriage Stands but made no objection.

A notice of proposal was placed in the North West Evening Mail on Friday 3rd November 2017 providing a 28 day consultation period, running until Friday 1st December 2017.

In addition to the consultation required by law, the schedule has been advertised on the Council's website and a global email sent to all drivers, operators and proprietors of whom we hold a valid email address.

On 13th November 2017 support was received from a representative of the Furness Taxi Trade Association secretary, Bob Mullen, his email states;

"As secretary of the Furness Taxi Trade Association, I have been asked to write to you in support of the proposed Hackney carriage stands.

Firstly I should point out that despite the local Mail publishing an article saying that local shoppers will lose out on free parking spaces with the new ranks this is just not true, its fake news as Trump would say. We are losing rank space on Cornwallis St to free parking and giving up Duke St which will become free parking. Crellin St was never free parking and the Cavendish St rank will only be in use of a night time as will Dalkeith St.

As you may know, this has been a long time in coming with many delays and pitfalls along the way none of which were the doing of the long-suffering taxi trade. I and others from the taxi trade have attended many meetings and exchanged dozens of emails with both Cumbria County Council and Barrow Borough Council. The trade has felt that over the many years this has been going on that we have been passed from pillar to post and treated most unfairly again from no fault of our own.

We hope that this is the end of our long and patient wait and that the taxi ranks are installed as soon as possible."

Dalton Town Council was also notified of the intended rank locations and made the following representation.

"Dalton with Newton Town Council wish to register an objection to the installation of a Taxi Rank on Market Street, Dalton. Dalton, unlike some other towns of a similar size Dalton does not have a night-time economy, most public houses in the Town Centre are closed by 11pm during the week and midnight at the weekends, the Town Council would be very interested to know what research was conducted which demonstrates the requirement for a taxi rank. As part of the supporting documents for proposals across the Borough the Hackney Carriage Unmet Demand Survey carried out by Vector Transport Consultancy in 2015 did not address provision in Dalton at all and only one mention was made of Dalton in the Section 5 - Stakeholder Consultation, the suggestion from existing Hackney Carriages drivers in this section was that a new rank be provided at Tudor Square. The

Town Council understand that although there is no official ranks in Dalton, Hackney Carriages currently use the bus layby on Tudor Square once the last bus has departed. Although not ideal this would prove to be a better location for a rank than the one now being suggested.

The proposed location is in an area with mixed residential and business properties and directly within 2 metres of the frontage of at least 6 residential properties and one business. Should a rank be introduced residents will be subjected to noise associated with late night revellers and vehicles leading to severe disruption to the current peace they currently enjoy.

Dalton has limited parking and this location in the centre of the Town is particularly problematic, the proposed location of the taxi rank will utilise an existing parking bay which provides parking for approximately 6 or 7 vehicles, this would become unavailable to residents leading to further traffic problems and disruption.

In conclusion the Town Council would ask that the installation of a taxi rank in Dalton be rejected.”

Cllr Wendy Maddox made the following representation;

“As the Borough Councillor for Dalton South and the Dalton Town Councillor for Becksid Ward I wish to object to the proposed Taxi rank to be sited in Market Street, Dalton, as this comes under my jurisdiction, and I am most concerned about the implications.

Dalton does not need a taxi rank. Dalton is a very quiet town, we have no night time economy and during the week if a pub is open you can guarantee by 11pm it is closed. There is virtually nobody on the streets after 11.15pm. So why do we need a taxi rank? On Friday pubs can be open until 1am, and if taxis are picking up they wait in the bus lay-by at Tudor Square as the last bus through Dalton is 12.15am. Again by 1.15am Dalton is deserted. Do we need a taxi rank. NO definitely not.

Where are they expecting the people of Market Street to park, parking is at a premium in Dalton as it is.

After the consultation period, if this proposal goes to Committee, I would like to make a request to speak to the Committee on behalf of the people of Dalton. This e-mail has also been sent to Kim Baxter at County Council.”

A total of 6 representations were received from residents living in close proximity of the proposed rank location on Market Street, Dalton. Concerns included the potential for increased noise levels, the lack of existing parking and questioned the current need for a rank in Dalton.

Copies of all representations received during the consultation period are attached at **Appendix 2**.

Barrow Borough Council has met all the requirements of s63 the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976 and can now appoint the hackney carriage stands.

3. Options

The options available to members are;

- (a) To note the consultation responses and the consent granted by Cumbria County Council (which excludes the proposed stand on Market Street, Dalton) and refer to Executive Committee for appointment
- (b) To note the consultation responses and amend the schedule by way of;
 - (i) Removing a proposed stand location;
 - (ii) Reducing the number of spaces available in any proposed location;
 - (iii) before referring to executive committee for appointment.

4. Recommendation

It is recommended that Members remove the proposed stand located in Market Street, Dalton in Furness and refer the amended schedule to Executive Committee for appointment by Full Council.

5. Reason for Recommendation

- a) Relevant objections to the appointment of a hackney carriage stand on Market Street, Dalton have been received from residents living in the vicinity, local Councillor and Dalton Town Council.
- b) Consent was not given by Cumbria County Highways to appoint a Hackney Carriage stand on Market Street, Dalton.
- c) Barrow Borough Council has met all the requirements of s63 the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976.
- d) The Chief of Police has made no objections to the appointment of the Hackney Carriage Stands.
- e) The local taxi trade support the review and implementation of new and improved hackney carriage stands in the Borough.

6. Considerations

(i) Legal Implications

A local authority can adopt areas on streets or private land as taxi ranks under section 63 Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976. The processes includes the local authority first obtaining the consent of the Highways Authority, giving notice to the Chief of Police and publish a public advertisement in the local newspaper and to take into account any objections or

representations received within 28 days of publication, before the rank is appointed.

The process has met the requirements of s.63 Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976;

- Consent has formally been requested from Cumbria Highways for the proposed locations;
- A notice was placed in the North West Evening Mail and;
- Notice has been given to the Chief of Police.

Barrow Borough Council can take enforcement action against other vehicles not permitted to wait on hackney carriage stands under s.64 of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976.

s.64 states;

Prohibition of other vehicles on hackney carriage stands.

- (1) No person shall cause or permit any vehicle other than a hackney carriage to wait on any stand for hackney carriages during any period for which that stand has been appointed, or is deemed to have been appointed, by a district council under the provisions of section 63 of this Act.
- (2) Notice of the prohibition in this section shall be indicated by such traffic signs as may be prescribed or authorised for the purpose by the Secretary of State in pursuance of his powers under [section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984].
- (3) If any person without reasonable excuse contravenes the provisions of this section, he shall be guilty of an offence.
- (4) In any proceedings under this section against the driver of a public service vehicle it shall be a defence to show that, by reason of obstruction to traffic or for other compelling reason, he caused his vehicle to wait on a stand or part thereof and that he caused or permitted his vehicle so to wait only for so long as was reasonably necessary for the taking up or setting down of passengers.

Any Council Officer authorised under s.64 of “the Act” may pursue a person who causes or permits any vehicle other than a hackney carriage to wait on any stand for hackney carriages. The person may be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 – on the standard scale.

(ii) Risk Assessment

Not applicable.

(iii) Financial Implications

For those licences which allow fees to be set locally, the licensing authority is allowed to recover its reasonable costs in processing and determining licence applications and also achieve compliance with the appropriate legislation. The administration and operation of the licensing regime is able to operate at full cost recovery, including the recovery of costs directly associated with the implementation of the Hackney Carriage Stands.

(iv) Key Priorities or Corporate Aims

Priority 4 - Service Delivery – the Council strives to provide good quality, efficient and effective services while reducing overall expenditure.

Draft Council Priorities 2017-18

Priority 1 – Developing the local economy to secure a long term economic future for all our community.

Priority 2 – A strong and vibrant town centre community

(v) Equality and Diversity

There are no equality and diversity implications.

(vi) Other Human Rights

Any action undertaken by the Council, that could have an effect upon another person's human rights, must be taken having regard to the principle of proportionality - the need to balance the rights of the individual with the rights of the community as a whole.

Any action taken by the Council which affect another's' rights must be no more onerous than is necessary in a democratic society. The matter set out in this report must be considered in light of those obligations.

(vii) Health and Well-being Implications

Background Papers – 2015 Unmet Demand Survey

Document Tracking

	Signed	Date
Assistant Director		
Environmental Health Manager		
Principal Officer		
Reporting Officer		
Legal Advisor		
Monitoring Officer		

Designation of Hackney Carriage Stands
Section 63(3)(c) of Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

Schedule 1 Prohibition of stopping except for hackney carriages 24 hours
Monday to Sunday

New entries:

No.	Street Name	Time	Street Side	Restricted Length	No of taxis
1	Cornwallis Street, Barrow-in-Furness	24 hours	North	From a point of 15 metres east of its junction with Lawson Street, for a distance of 35 metres in an easterly direction.	6
2	Buccleuch Street, Barrow-in-Furness	24 hours	North	From a point 11 metres west of its junction with Dalton Road, for a distance of 15 metres in a westerly direction.	3

Deleted entry:

No.	Street Name	Time	Street Side	Restricted Length	No of taxis
	Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness	24 hours	North-east	From a point 10 metres south-east of the southern boundary of its junction with Dundonald Street, for a distance of 30 metres in a south-easterly direction.	

Schedule 2 Prohibition of stopping except for hackney carriages 8am – 6pm
Monday to Sunday

New entries:

No.	Street Name	Time	Street Side	Restricted Length	No of taxis
1	Dalton Road, Barrow-in-Furness	8am – 6pm	East	From a point of 10.5m south of its junction with Harrison Street, for a distance of 16m in a southerly direction.	4
2	Crellin Street	8am – 6pm	North-west	From a point 10 metres west of its junction with Allison Street, for a distance of 12 metres in a westerly direction.	2

Schedule 3

Prohibition of stopping except for hackney carriages between 6pm and midnight and between midnight and 8 am Monday to Sunday

New entries:

No.	Street Name	Time	Street Side	Restricted Length	No of taxis
1	Dalkeith Street, Barrow-in-Furness	6pm - midnight midnight- 8am	North-east	From a point 10 metres north west of its junction with Buccleuch Street, for a distance of 40 metres in a north westerly direction.	8
2	Cavendish Street, Barrow-in-Furness	6pm - midnight midnight- 8am	North	From a point 10 metres east of its junction with Slater Street, for a distance of 15 metres in an easterly direction	3
3	Cavendish Street, Barrow-in-Furness	6pm - midnight midnight- 8am	North	From a point 36 metres east of its junction with Slater Street, for a distance of 44 metres in an easterly direction.	9
4	Market Street, Dalton-in-Furness	6pm - midnight midnight- 8am	South-east	From a point 47 metres east of its junction with Station Road, for a distance of 12 metres in an easterly direction.	2

Jennifer Curtis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 November 2017 19:54
To: Env Health; Des Barlow (Councillor); Trevor Biggins (Councillor); Shaun Blezard (Councillor); Derek Brook (Councillor); Anne Burns (Councillor); Tony Callister (Councillor); Michael Cassells; Frank Cassidy (Councillor); Marie Derbyshire (Councillor); Derek Gawne (Councillor); Levi Gill (Councillor); Kevin Hamilton (Councillor); Sean Harkin (Councillor); jdheath@barrowbc.gov.uk; Anita Husband (Councillor); Allison Johnston (Councillor); Wendy Maddox (Councillor); Rory McClure (Councillor); Wendy McClure (Councillor); William McEwan (Councillor); Martin McLeavy (Councillor); John Murphy (Councillor); Gordon Murray (Councillor); Alan Pemberton (Councillor); David Pidduck (Councillor); Hayley Preston (Councillor); Alec Proffitt (Councillor); Lee Roberts (Councillor); David Roberts (Councillor); Debra Seward (Councillor); Brendan Sweeney (Councillor); Colin Thomson (Councillor); Ann Thomson (Councillor); Ann Thurlow (Councillor); Helen Wall (Councillor); Lovinia Williams (Councillor)
Subject: Proposed Hackney Carriage Stands

Hi All

As secretary of the Furness Taxi Trade Association, I have been asked to write to you in support of the proposed Hackney carriage stands.

Firstly I should point out that despite the local Mail publishing an article saying that local shoppers will lose out on free parking spaces with the new ranks this is just not true, its fake news as Trump would say. We are losing rank space on Cornwallis St to free parking and giving up Duke St which will become free parking. Crellin St was never free parking and the Cavendish St rank will only be in use of a night time as will Dalkeith St.

As you may know, this has been a long time in coming with many delays and pitfalls along the way none of which were the doing of the long-suffering taxi trade. I and others from the taxi trade have attended many meetings and exchanged dozens of emails with both Cumbria County Council and Barrow Borough Council. The trade has felt that over the many years this has been going on that we have been passed from pillar to post and treated most unfairly again from no fault of our own.

We hope that this is the end of our long and patient wait and that the taxi ranks are installed as soon as possible.

You will probably be already aware of why the ranks are needed but here is a brief recap.

The main entertainment district was at one time centred on Cornwallis St which was serviced by a large taxi rank but the whole nighttime economy has moved from this area to Cavendish St. It was pointed out by the trade that Cavendish St was narrow and congested and that there was a danger to pedestrians from traffic and taxis trying to pick up from there.

We attended meetings with licensing police and highways and it was agreed that part of Cavendish St would be closed at night and that a safe and legal taxi rank was established to help clear the area of revellers quickly and safely. The closure was put into effect but not the taxi rank and so the taxis on Cavendish St are only able to rank there by agreement with licensing and police but are in fact illegal.

Also at the trade liaison meetings it was pointed out many times that taxi rank provision in the town was wholly inadequate. It was agreed that a review and consultation would take place which subsequently followed and was agreed on by council. But again through no fault of the taxi trade this was not implemented because of difficulties between the Borough and County.

We in the trade feel that we have struggled on with inadequate provision of ranks for far too long and that this needs to be addressed once and for all and procedures put in place for future changes in the towns traffic system and nighttime economy to be taken into account in regard to taxi rank provision and location.

Regards

Bob Mullen

Secretary

Furness Taxi Trade Association

Jennifer Curtis

From: Env Health
Sent: 07 November 2017 12:42
To: Graham Barker
Subject: FW: Dalton Hackney taxi rank.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 November 2017 12:41
To: Env Health
Subject: Dalton Hackney taxi rank.

I wish to complain regarding the new Hackney taxi rank proposal.
We already have very few parking places in Dalton Town Centre and to take away the parking from outside some ones house in the evening, will cause problems for other residents nearby.
It will cause noise and disturb people late at night / early mornings with people wanting a taxi under the influence of drink, there must be very little need for a hackney rank as peoples can pre book a taxi, I think this is yet again the hackney licence holders trying to take away the fares of normal taxi providers.
Lets be honest how many Hackney taxis will be hanging around Dalton between 8 qnd 6 in the morning,
As most pubs / bars shut early,
I was a holder of a taxi licence and understand the situation.

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

Jennifer Curtis

From: Env Health
Sent: 09 November 2017 11:27
To: Graham Barker; Jennifer Curtis
Subject: FW: Taxi Rank in Dalton Reference KB/4.4 997/15.001240

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 09 November 2017 10:31
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Env Health
Subject: Taxi Rank in Dalton Reference KB/4.4 997/15.001240

Hi

I am writing to you to object to the plan to introduce a taxi rank on market street in dalton. I dont feel this would be in the best interest of the town as there is no current need of one in dalton as it is not busy enough. Also living directly accross from the proposed location, there is not enough parking as it is in the area so taking more spaces away will only make things harder. A better idea would be to scrap the taxi rank and make another row of parking opicite where the path is larger than it needs to be to help the local people like me who live here.

I sincerely hope that you decide not to go ahead with the idea of the taxi rank.

Regards

[REDACTED]

Jennifer Curtis

From: Env Health
Sent: 08 November 2017 09:12
To: Graham Barker
Subject: FW: KB/4.4. 997/15.001240

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 November 2017 17:59
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: KB/4.4. 997/15.001240

Hello,

Please take this email as a complete objection to the proposal of a taxi rank in Dalton.

The whole idea is ludicrous.

I am a single parent to 3 young children. I live right by where you're suggesting to put this ludicrous rank. Parking is difficult enough near my house and I can often find myself struggling to park and having to walk quite some distance. Where on earth are you proposing we park if you take away 3 spaces?! That's 3 more cars that will need to move meaning available parking will become further and further away!!

There is no need for a taxi rank! The whole idea is insane! These spaces will lay redundant as taxi drivers continue to work from calls not being in a rank.

I'd also like to propose you have not thought about potential noise complaints. If, by some miracle, this idea goes ahead and is busy it is only going to attract adverse behaviour into the centre of town. Have you thought about how my young children will sleep through this?

Please keep me informed of any potential meetings regarding this and I will attend and voice my concerns.

Should you wish to contact me please do so [REDACTED]

Regards
[REDACTED]

Jennifer Curtis

From: Env Health
Sent: 07 November 2017 14:05
To: Graham Barker
Subject: FW: PROPOSED TAXI RANK, DALTON

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 November 2017 13:46
To: Env Health
Cc: 'John Woodcock MP'
Subject: PROPOSED TAXI RANK, DALTON

I **STRONGLY OBJECT** to the proposed taxi rank in Dalton, as a resident of [REDACTED] who already fights with 20/30 other residents to park my car in 1 of the 7 YES 7 car pull in – the only parking between 102 Market Street all the way up to Tudor Square.

Where do you propose I park my car – Barrow?

We already have silly wide pavements which are neither use nor ornament – it's about time you re-introduced more parking in Market Street for residents NOT less. When you narrowed the road, and widened the pavements you did NOT provide residents an alternative area to park cars – now you want to take the very few we have off us.

Dalton is slowly dying due to lack of parking, new businesses won't come to Dalton – those that brave it stay until their Lease runs out and then move on – usually Ulverston – loads of empty derelict shops, tradesmen won't work on our properties because they can't park and if they risk parking on the silly wide pavements opposite me – get a parking ticket. Same with deliveries of large items furniture – some stores ask where you live and then refuse to deliver – cant park. **YOU ARE KILLING DALTON.**

The town is quiet during the week and those that come to Dalton to booze at the weekend usually congregate at the 4/5 Pubs. on Tudor Square or the other end- the Wellington, Red Lion etc. There are plenty of places for taxis to pick up/park at Tudor Square without taking precious residential parking and the same the other end of the town for the other Pubs.

Should you be encouraging revellers (most of whom at the weekend are also drunk and noisy) to be stood outside houses where young children are trying to sleep and women living on their own end up being frightened sitting in their own front room.

NO – WE DO NOT NEED OR WANT A TAXI RANK IN DALTON.

[REDACTED]

Jennifer Curtis

From: Env Health
Sent: 14 November 2017 16:48
To: Jennifer Curtis; Graham Barker
Subject: FW: Proposed taxi rank Dalton.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 14 November 2017 16:46
To: Env Health
Subject: Proposed taxi rank Dalton.

Sent from Samsung tablet.

----- Original message -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: 14/11/2017 4:41 pm (GMT+00:00)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Reference KB/4.4.997/15.001240

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Thank you.

Cllr. Wendy E. Maddox

Sent from Samsung tablet.

Jennifer Curtis

From: Env Health
Sent: 08 November 2017 15:31
To: Graham Barker
Subject: FW: Taxi Rank on Market Street Dalton

From: [REDACTED] **On Behalf Of** Shaun Blezard
Sent: 08 November 2017 15:10
To: Env Health
Subject: Taxi Rank on Market Street Dalton

I am just writing to say I am opposed to having a taxi rank on Market Street in Dalton. My main concern is the loss of any parking in the town centre and wether there is actually a need for a rank there.

many thanks

Shaun Blezard (Cllr Dalton South)

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website [REDACTED] email [REDACTED] mobile [REDACTED] skype [REDACTED]

Jennifer Curtis

From: Env Health
Sent: 21 November 2017 13:39
To: Graham Barker; Jennifer Curtis
Subject: FW: Dalton Town Council - representation - Proposed taxi rank Dalton
Attachments: Taxi Rank - November 2017.pdf

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 November 2017 13:11
To: Env Health
Subject: Dalton Town Council - representation - Proposed taxi rank Dalton

Please find attached representation from Dalton Town Council

Regards

[REDACTED]

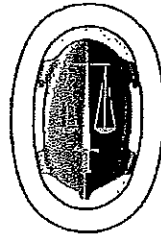
Town Clerk
Dalton with Newton Town Council
Tel:- 01229 464000/466446

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DALTON WITH NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL

Town Clerk
[REDACTED]



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Tel 01229 464000/466446

21 November 2017

Dear Sirs

Hackney Carriage Stands

Dalton with Newton Town Council wish to register an objection to the installation of a Taxi Rank on Market Street, Dalton.

Dalton, unlike some other towns of a similar size Dalton does not have a night-time economy, most public houses in the Town Centre are closed by 11pm during the week and midnight at the weekends, the Town Council would be very interested to know what research was conducted which demonstrates the requirement for a taxi rank. As part of the supporting documents for proposals across the Borough the *Hackney Carriage Unmet Demand Survey* carried out by Vector Transport Consultancy in 2015 did not address provision in Dalton at all and only one mention was made of Dalton in the Section 5 - Stakeholder Consultation, the suggestion from existing Hackney Carriages drivers in this section was that a new rank be provided at Tudor Square. The Town Council understand that although there is no official rank in Dalton, Hackney Carriages currently use the bus layby on Tudor Square once the last bus has departed. Although not ideal this would prove to be a better location for a rank than the one now being suggested.

The proposed location is in an area with mixed residential and business properties and directly within 2 metres of the frontage of at least 6 residential properties and one business. Should a rank be introduced residents will be subjected to noise associated with late night revellers and vehicles leading to severe disruption to the current peace they currently enjoy.

Dalton has limited parking and this location in the centre of the Town is particularly problematic, the proposed location of the taxi rank will utilise an existing parking bay which provides parking for approximately 6 or 7 vehicles, this would become unavailable to residents leading to further traffic problems and disruption.

In conclusion the Town Council would ask that the installation of a taxi rank in Dalton be rejected.

Yours faithfully

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Jennifer Curtis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 November 2017 15:31
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: KB/4.4.997/15.001240 - Strong Objection to Proposed Taxi Rank in Dalton

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 3 November 2017.

The proposed taxi rank in Dalton does not form part of the County Council's proposed changes to its on-street parking order, but reference to it was made in our Notice, for completeness.

The proposed taxi rank in Dalton forms part of Barrow Borough Council's proposals for the introduction of, and changes to, several taxi ranks in Barrow and in Dalton, which I understand have been separately consulted upon advertised by the Borough Council.

I am therefore forwarding your email to Jennifer Curtis at Barrow Borough Council for her information and attention.

I trust that this is in order.

Kind regards,

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 November 2017 14:18
To: Baxter, Kim
Subject: KB/4.4.997/15.001240 - Strong Objection to Proposed Taxi Rank in Dalton

I must voice my very strong objection to the venue of the proposed taxi rank in Dalton.

1) Parking is at a very limited premium in Dalton, and the bay where the proposed site is located is in the middle of the town centre outside residential homes.

2) the site of the proposed taxi rank has historically been denied approval as a disabled parking Bay for the same reason as above - Parking is at a premium in Dalton. This will set a precedence to the area.

3) The residents have great difficulty parking their vehicles in the town already, and to remove further parking on a 24 hour basis will prove that illegal parking is necessary elsewhere in the town. It is already not uncommon to park 3 streets away with shopping and young children in tow.

4) The taxi rank will also very likely overspill into the rest of the parking bay, this will cause confrontation between residents and the taxi firms.

5) there are currently around 7 parking spaces situated in the whole bay at the proposed site. There are many more houses than parking bays. These houses are occupied by elderly, physically and mentally disabled residents and children. The parking bays are also open for non residents to park in. It is going to create a great health risk to the occupants of these houses not to mention the degeneration of property prices.

6) Although the site 102-104 is situated outside of a non residential property, it is extremely common for the workforce at this property and other property businesses in the town to park there all day. (8am until 6pm).

7) it is extremely likely that the use of the nearby car park of Market Street Medical Practice will be abused causing a further health and safety risk.

8) The proposed site IS in a residential area. It is doubtless to be the fact that the site would attract a gathering of a Disorderly audience as they wait for their taxi. This will encourage litter, immense noise (it is already noisy) dropped food and rodents, possible violence, disrespect and thoughtlessness for residents and just an altogether chaotic unimaginable situation for the residents.

9) there are areas in Dalton that have more capacity for such a site that is NOT within a residential area and the impact would be far less (eg Nelson street car park, 10 minute bay located outside Bargain Booze, car parking bay outside the post office or Bedalls, car parking bay at market cross).

10) the buses, delivery trucks and other vehicles struggle to get through market street at busy times, such as school time, bin days, etc already here. This is going to create chaos and a seriously dangerous situation. The road narrows exactly where the proposed site will be situated and will attract people running across the road, etc. It is an accident waiting to happen.

I feel extremely strongly that this taxi rank should not be allowed and I would urge you most strongly to reconsider. Please keep me updated with progress of the outcome. I am extremely disturbed and emotionally impaired by this whole proposal that's is a SHARED item on the agenda of a proposal. Yet it will have such an enormous impact on so many residents! I already suffer with Bipolar Disorder and many physical and mobility health issues, including recovery from a serious illness (Septic Shock in late August) and currently rely on others as I am wheelchair bound. I have 2 children with Autism also who are very noise sensitive, terrified of strangers, and nervous. This is going to make their lives unbearable right outside their front door. I live at 106 Market Street - NEXT DOOR to the proposed site. I find this an outrage!

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